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REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

IRISH DESIRE FOR PEACE.

Armistice Negotiations Urged.

London, December 6.
Mr. Henderson, the head of the Labour Party's mission to Ireland, has returned to London. He declared that the desire for peace had never been so strong and widespread amongst all classes in Ireland. He strongly urged the opening of official negotiations for an armistice.

The Irony of It!

London, December 6.
By a curious irony, when the members of the Dublin Corporation were arrested, two resolutions were being discussed, the first urging the well-disposed to call a truce for a month for the purpose of promoting peace and goodwill amongst all sections, and the proposed establishment of a Committee to pursue a policy of reconciliation; and the second calling on all parties to cease outrages and to work for peace.

AMERICA AND TRADE.

Keen Competition Being Felt.

Washington, December 6.
Mr. Colby is asking Congress to increase by nearly three million dollars the appropriation for the State Department. He explains that America is finding itself in keen commercial competition with other nations which are reviving after the war and intensifying their efforts to gain fresh foreign markets, seize markets formerly controlled by enemy powers and attain a high degree of economic production. Therefore, an adequate staff of technical experts is needed in the American Foreign Service.

THE ANTI-TRUST LAW.

U.S. Government Wins an Action.

New York, December 6.
The Government has won its suit against the Lehigh Valley Railroad Company and the Lehigh Coal and Sales Company, which is affiliated to the Railway Company. The Court decided that the formation of the Lehigh Coal Sales Company violated the Sherman Anti-Trust Law and ordered a redistribution of the shares of the Railroad Company, as requested by the Government.

TRADE DEPRESSION.

The Unfortunate Consumer Blamed.

New York, December 6.
The Federal Reserve Board's monthly review does not foresee any early relief for the present business depression, which it ascribes to be chiefly due to the consumers' evident determination to await a fall in prices. Favourable elements of the immediate future are improvement in transportation and easing of credit conditions.

WHITE HOUSE AND CONGRESS.

Closer Co-operation Promised.

Washington, December 6.
Congress opened to-day. President-Elect Harding was present in the Senate and was greeted with applause. In response to the occasion, he made a brief speech, forecasting a period of closer and more friendly co-operation between White House and Congress.

AGRICULTURE IN U.S.

Credit to Farmers.

Washington, December 6.
A Joint Committee of the Senate and House of Representatives investigating the agricultural situation, has approved of a resolution directing a revival of the War Finance Corporation and also directing the Federal Reserve Board to extend liberal credit to farmers.

"FREEMAN'S JOURNAL."

Directors and Editors Guilty.

London, December 6.
Two Directors and the Editor of *Freeman's Journal* have been found guilty on two charges, namely, spreading a false report and spreading a report intended to cause disaffection.

COTTON CRISIS.

Half-Time in Lancashire Mills.

London, December 6.
Owing to a crisis in the cotton industry, the cotton spinning mills in Lancashire have begun running half-time. A hundred thousand operatives are working only three days weekly.

U.S. IMMIGRATION.

Washington, December 6.
The Immigration Bill Committee has decided to report favourably on immigration.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

GERMANY AND THE LEAGUE.

Jubilant over Argentina's Action.

Berlin, December 7.
The German Press is most jubilant over Argentina's action in the League of Nations, and speaks derisively of the League, which now "stands revealed in all its nakedness for the prevention of the real reconstruction of the world."

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Geneva, Dec. 6.
Mr. Doherty opposed the reference of Canada's resolution to a committee, but complied with the unanimous wish of the Bureau as he did not desire to cause dissension. There was a lively debate on the relations of the Council with the Assembly on the report of the first Commission dealing with general organisation, drawn up by M. Viviani, Mr. Rowell (Canada) and Lord Robert Cecil. It maintained that the Council must always be the chief executive power. The African and Australian delegations would not vote on the report unless Articles Three and Four of the Covenant, which diminished the competency of the Assembly, were modified. M. Viviani recognised the possibilities of difficulties between the Council and the Assembly, but relied on the general spirit of goodwill and the mixed commission which Mr. Balfour proposed. Mr. Rowell exhorted trust for the Covenant, which allowed a certain elasticity in the relations of the Council and the Assembly. It was impossible to give the Assembly powers not provided by the Covenant. Mr. Meyer (India) urged that the question of powers must be clearly defined in order to avoid unfavourably impressing Oriental countries, but he withdrew an amendment to this effect after Mr. Rowell's explanation.

TO-DAY'S CHINESE TELEGRAMS.

Peking, December 7.
It is reported that owing to the incidents which have recently occurred at Ichang, the Diplomatic Corps will make a demand on the Government that in future no Chinese troops may come within 30 km. of any Treaty Port, and all military troops within the limits must be pulled down, and the patrols taken over by trained police. With international concurrence, the Government has decided to put in force the increase in Customs duties, for the famine relief, on the 1st January.

Shanghai, December 7.
It is rumoured here that a new political party has been organised by Dr. Sun Yat-sen's and Tuan Chi-jui's parties. Much activity is being shown by the new and old M. P.'s who are continually arriving. On receiving information that the headquarters of Hsu Shu-tseng have been established in Tientsin, the Ministry for Foreign Affairs intends to demand an explanation from the Japanese Legation if the report is found to be true.

AVIATION NOTES.

(By "Meteorite.")

The Customs Commissioner at Foochow has some interesting comments, in his annual report, on aviation in China. Dealing with the preparation of an intermediate landing place for the Rome to Tokyo flight, he says that after considerable trouble, one place after another proving to be unsuitable even if given some weeks' preparatory work a rather small site was finally obtained and made ready. The object lesson of this is the following: if at the capital of a province, situated in a wide alluvial plain, it is impossible, even with the sympathetic interest and promised assistance of the chief authorities, to prepare a fully suitable landing-place except at great expense in time and money, China is evidently not the country for the ordinary aeroplane. With every inch of level ground ploughed and soft, it would be a matter of grave doubt whether an aeroplane could make good an unexpected intermediate landing anywhere without sustaining serious damage. And in a country where ordinary roads are still non-existent it is not likely that properly prepared landing-sites will soon be found and prepared in sufficient numbers to be of much general use. On the other hand, rivers and canals, lakes and lagoons abound throughout the country, and one is thus led to the conclusion that the flying machine for China is some sort of a light hydroplane capable of alighting upon and rising from any bit of smooth inland water.

It has been definitely decided, according to a communication I have received, that the two transcontinental airplane races across America announced for 1920 and the early part of 1921 will not be held. Cancellation of these events was made necessary by a long series of circumstances which tended to point to the inadvisability of attempting this competition this year.

The *Evening Sun* of Baltimore, U.S.A. has acquired an aeroplane and pilot for the purpose of collecting news at points difficult of access by other means of locomotion. It is anticipated that the News Editor will be able to publish daily items of interest which it has previously been impossible to chronicle within days of their occurrence. In view of the radio station being erected at Long Island, New York, which is credited with an apparatus to receive 1,000 words a minute and deliver messages at the rate of 50 to 100 words a minute it looks as if Handy Page aeroplanes are destined to be busy in the near future for the journals with the largest circulations. Certainly the fact that the Aircraft Disposal Company, Ltd. can supply at short notice any type of aeroplane, from the reporter's single seater to travel at the rate of 120 miles an hour to the Handy Page aeroplane capable of transporting a complete editorial staff with typewriters and wireless, anywhere at 80 miles an hour should cause the progressive newspaper promoter to think furiously.

LOCAL STEAMER LOST.

"NAMWAN" SINKS IN HAINAN BAY.

Captain and Crew Reach Hongkong.

With the arrival in Hongkong, aboard the steamer Loksang, of the master and crew of the a.s. Namwan comes news of the sinking and total loss of the latter vessel in the Hainan Straits. The Namwan (formerly H.M.'s surveying ship Waterwitch) was owned by the Kwong Hip Loong, of Kowloon. She flew the Portuguese flag and had as her master Captain Conceicao. She sank on the morning of November 23rd, after being aground, but, luckily, the whole of the crew (33 in number) were saved.

It was at 11.30 a.m. on the 27th November that the Namwan left Hoihow for Hongkong, with a general cargo of about 100 tons and 200 head of cattle and pigs. At 4 p.m. that day, on account of fog, the steamer anchored in Hainan Bay, but she heaved to next morning at 6.30 o'clock and proceeded slowly. On account of the strong north-east wind, heavy squalls and high seas, the Hainan Strait buoy was not picked up, and at about 7 a.m. the vessel struck a sand bank and became stranded.

At 9 o'clock it became apparent that the vessel was in a precarious plight, whereupon the captain and crew abandoned her and landed in Hainan Bay by means of the ship's boats. Some time later, the Namwan sank, only the masts showing above water.

On getting ashore, the crew walked to Hoihow, where they joined the Indo-China s.s. Loksang and were brought to Hongkong, very little the worse for their experience.

DAY BY DAY.

The Indian guard of the Chartered Bank, who accidentally shot himself on Monday, died at the hospital to-day.

From the P. and O. Company we have received a wall calendar, and a diary and almanack containing much useful information.

At last night's meeting of the Hongkong Boxing Association, the probability was indicated that owing to the movements of the fleet, the first boxing tournament, at which many naval men are expected to take part, may not be held until next month.

The membership campaign of the Canton Y.M.C.A. ended last evening, some 1,336 members being enrolled. The team led by General Ngai Bong-ping, Commissioner for Police, won the championship for the enrolment of the largest number of members, it having more than 50,000 and, while 369 members to its credit, while Principal Kin Shoenz Fan's team followed second with 33,579 and 295 members. General Ngai himself enrolled 145 members and got \$1,854.

CANTON GOVERNMENT.

Allocation of Posts.

Through the courtesy of *Kwong Sun Pao*, it has been learned that the Military Government will gazette the appointment of Dr. Sun Yat-sen as Minister of Interior of the Military Government; Tang Shao-yi, Minister of Communications, with Wang Pei-chun, as Acting Minister before Tang's arrival; Chen Chiang-ming, Minister of War; Dr. Wu Ting-fang, Minister of Foreign Affairs; George Hsu Chien, Minister of Justice; General Li Lieh-chen, Chief of Staff, with General Chien as Acting Chief until Li's return. Mr. Chun-wu, M.P., from Kwangsi, will be secretary-general to the Administrative Council of the Military Government.

MACAO TOBACCO MONOPOLY.

Awarded to a Chinese.

The monopoly for the sale of tobacco of all descriptions at Macao has been secured by Chan Chok-chee, whose tender of \$900,100 per year was the highest received. The monopoly begins as from February 1st next year.

It is provided that all tobacco imported into Macao from foreign countries will be subject to a tax of 50 per cent., that from Portuguese Colonies 40 per cent., and tobacco manufactured in Macao 30 per cent. on the cost values.

Tobacco or cigarettes carried by tourists in broken boxes or packets will be admitted free if not more than 50 grams (about 2½ ounces) in weight.

WARWICK COMEDY COMPANY.

"The Law Divine."

The favourable impression formed of the Warwick Comedy Company at its opening performance was amply confirmed last night, when H. V. Edmond's three-act comedy, "The Law Divine," was produced in the presence of quite a good-sized and most appreciative audience. The play was effectively staged, whilst its interpretation by the talented members of the cast left nothing whatever to be desired.

The play, which has a war flavour, concerns the eternal triangle. It is a story of how a wife all but loses her husband's love through unintended neglect of what is due to him. Edie La Basis is an enthusiastic war-worker, and her whole life is centred in committee meetings, knitting, parcel distribution, etc. Day and night does she live in a whirl of activity of this kind, sparing neither time nor thought for the claims of her own household. Even her bedroom becomes a centre for her work, and what sleep she has, is liable to be interfered with by calls over the telephone installed at her bedside. Her husband (Jack), who has done sterner work on the battle-fields and is now holding a War Office job, becomes a lonely man in his own home. Starved of affection by his wife, he seeks consolation elsewhere. And this is where an attractive widow (Daphne Gray) appears on the scene. Things begin to look ominous for the La Basis household, especially when Jack as good as tells his wife that the break has come, but the young widow's mother intervenes and shows Edie how her neglect of wifely obligations is leading to certain disaster. In the end, of course, all is straightened out: love returns, and Edie starts anew by putting first things first. In the working out of the theme there are many telling situations, together with a plentiful seasoning of wit and humour, so that the whole play goes with a delightful swing from beginning to end.

The parts of husband and wife were respectively taken by Mr. Thorpe Mayne and Miss Joan Mayne, and they gave altogether excellent character studies. Miss Mayne, in particular, was exceptionally good. It was a heavy part for her, calling for much versatility, and by her handling of it she showed how clever an actress she is. Miss Beatrix Wynn, too, although "on" for only a brief period, revealed much talent in her treatment of the part of the widow; whilst Miss Marjorie Clark, as the very candid friend of the household, was also extremely good. The other parts were all in capable hands, and the whole performance gave the utmost pleasure.

To-night "The Case of Lady Camber" is to be presented. This is a most powerful play and should not be missed. Miss Joan Mayne will play the part of Lady Camber, and Miss Beatrix Wynn in the title role.

BUY SATURDAY'S "TELEGRAPH".

A Free Special Christmas Number.

Something new to Hongkong is promised in the publication of a special Christmas Number of the *Hongkong Telegraph*, which will be presented gratis to our readers on Saturday next.

This number, which will have a bright and seasonal coloured cover, will contain illustrated Christmas stories by well-known authors; a Hongkong Christmas play, by a popular local writer; Christmas games and puzzles; riddles, jokes and funny illustrated limericks—in short, just the kind of publication which, for light reading, one seeks at the Christmas season.

Owing to difficulties which would otherwise be encountered, we have decided to use the coupon system for the distribution of this number. Saturday's *Telegraph* will contain a coupon, and each coupon presented at this office will be exchanged for a copy of our special Christmas Number.

EARLIER SPECIAL TELEGRAMS.

(From Our Own Correspondents.)

SHANGHAI MUNICIPALITY.

Shanghai, Dec. 7.
Reports are current that the French Consul plans to veto the Municipal Council action to assume the direction of the public utilities of the French Concession on Thursday. The Council refuses to make a statement. A special meeting of the Council is being held on Thursday night.

THE U.S. SHIPPING BOARD.

Shanghai, Dec. 7.
The Shipping Board is transferring its activities from Japan to here.

TIN AND RUBBER.

Singapore, Dec. 7.
The Government has arranged for a purchase of tin at \$110 a picul in order to steady the industry. It is believed the Government intends to act similarly with regard to rubber.

FOOTBALL.

Second Division Matches.

Below are the fixtures in the 2nd Division for Saturday, all matches commencing at 2.30 p.m.—
United F.C. v. Indians F.C.—Navy "B" ground.
Rovers v. Panjabis.—South China ground.
Stads v. Oilers.—Sookunpoo ground.
Carlisle v. Club.—Navy "A" ground.
Kowloon v. R.G.A. Res.—St. Joseph's ground.
South China v. St. Joseph's.—South China ground.

TO-DAY'S EXCHANGE.

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 3s 2 3/16d.

THE WEATHER.

2 p.m. Barometer:—30.05. Temperature:—65. Humidity:—65.

LIGHTING-UP TIME.

Lighting-up time to-day is 5.38 p.m.

DON'T FORGET.

To-day.
Theatre Royal—Warwick Comedy Co. present "The Case of Lady Camber"—9.15 p.m.
Coronet Theatre—5.15 and 9.15 p.m.
Hongkong Theatre—5.15, 7.15 and 9.15 p.m.
To-morrow.
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GENERAL NEWS.

EIGHT TIMES MAYOR.

Alderman H. B. Barton is to be elected Mayor of Finsbury for the eighth time.

NEWFOUNDLAND FENCIBLES.

Colours formerly belonging to the Newfoundland Fencibles, and now hung in St. Brélade Parish Church, Jersey, are to be presented to the Newfoundland Government and lodged in the museum at St. John's. The Fencibles were raised to fight for the British against America.

THE KING'S PICTURES.

By permission of the King and Queen and at the invitation of the State Chamberlain, member of the fine art trade in London were invited to inspect the pictures by old masters at Buckingham Palace. The party was received by Mr. Lionel Cust, F.S.A., Surveyor of the King's Pictures and Works of Art, and by him was conducted through the various apartments. Between 30 and 40 availed themselves of the unusual opportunity of seeing in situ many pictures, some of which have been lent from time to time to public exhibitions.

EX-SERVICE MEN IN GOVERNMENT OFFICES.

A Parliamentary paper (Cmd. 939) shows that on September 1 there were 37,733 disabled, and 88,952 other ex-Service men (permanent and temporary) employed in Government offices, making in all 126,685 ex-Service men out of a total staff of 368,028. The Post Office employs 19,148 disabled and 52,248 others, making 71,396 ex-Service men, out of a total number of 212,100 employees. The Pensioners Ministry employs 4,229 disabled and 6,550 other Service men out of a total of 25,750, and the Labour Ministry 3,145 disabled and 4,312 others, out of a total staff of 15,305.

IS CRICKET A LAZY GAME?

When the Rev. Percy Dearmer described cricket as a "lazy game" to the Church Congress at Southend he was not antagonistic, but commending the pastime as the best of all for Sunday amusement. He is anxious that the impression that he disapproves of cricket should be corrected. To a Press representative he said it was ideal recreation for a Sunday for those who have been engaged throughout the week in arduous physical toil. But he still holds that it is lazy. "For a great player like Warner, who has made so many centuries, or for the good bowler," he said, "cricket is, of course, exceedingly hard work; but for the ordinary player who does not bat well enough to stay in long or bowl at all it is a lackadaisical amusement."

SLAY PROTEST AGAINST KLAGENFURT VOTE.

The Serbian Press Bureau in London has received a telegram from Ljubljana (Laibach) stating that "the whole of Slovenia is aghast" at the result of the vote in zone A of the Klagenfurt area, where 38,025 votes were cast for Austria and 15,278 for Yugo-Slavia. The telegram adds:—As there are 95 per cent. Slovene population in zone A, it is felt that, apart from the terrorism and frauds, the result of the votes was tampered with; and the people do not feel themselves vanquished but tricked by Austria. At Ljubljana and all the towns around the population is protesting against Italy and Austria, and making energetic representations to the Government not to accept the result of this vote. There is a report that the Germans in Carinthia are killing the Slovenes and burning their houses. A Government accepting this plebiscite of trickery ought to immediately resign; the delegate Jovanovic has handed in to the Plebiscite Commission a protest against the result of the plebiscite.

JAPAN MISUNDERSTOOD.

Premier's Declaration.

Denying that Japan is militaristic and inviting foreign critics to study Japanese history to test the contention, Premier Takashi Hara has written an article under his own name in the *Chuo* (Seiyukai organ), which is entitled "Japanese National Characteristics as Misunderstood by the World," with the subtitle, "Is Japan Really a Militaristic Nation?"

"As I am a Government official," the Premier writes, "it is very difficult for me to make my views public, but I shall express my observations as one of the Japanese subjects."

There are many misunderstandings entertained by foreigners about Japan, due to lack of study. I have not examined all of the criticisms, of course. So no are much to the point, so that they may be taken as useful advice to improve ourselves. In the main, however, the criticisms do not show that the Japanese national characteristics are properly understood.

AGGRESSIVENESS CHARGED. "In the first place, it is charged that the Japanese is an aggressive race, bellicose and lacking in civilization other than the art of war. This misunderstanding may be attributed to three defective points of view. First, Japanese history is disregarded; second, literature and art are set aside; and, third, the true conditions of the life of the people have not been studied by the critics."

"Japan has no record in her history of having conquered other races, as every one knows. The foreign wars in the Meiji era, especially the Russo-Japanese war, were simply wars for self-defense against foreign aggression. In how difficult a defensive position Japan was placed in the Russo-Japanese war the intelligent men of England, who financially and diplomatically supported Japan, and the intelligent men of America, who officiated in bringing about peace, should know full well. As the result of the war with Russia, Japan came to control Korea, Sakhalin and Manchuria, which was recognized by the Powers as necessary to remove the root of evil and insure peace in the Orient. The Powers then heartily supported Japan's move."

NO CRUELITIES PRACTICED.

"In Japan these wars (the wars before the civilisation period) were fought when men in power lost the confidence of the people and new men of power rose with popular confidence back of them to replace the old. While different in form, in the essentials the Government by public opinion as it is now called had been in practice in Japan from olden times. For instance, when the Soya family lost its power, it was replaced by the Fujiwara family, and the Fujiwara were replaced later by the Taira and the Taira in turn by the Genji. One family or faction could not monopolize power very long. According to the degree of wisdom and power of the people in each period, the government of democracy was readily conducted."

"The Imperial family of everlasting lineage ruled over all, as Emperors regarded the will of the people as their will and looked after the welfare of the people. Consequently no matter how frequent the political wars have been at a time no such cruelty was noted as in histories of conquests in other countries. On the contrary, there are such beautiful stories told of the wars in history in which one side sent rice or salt to the relief of his foe and *vice versa*. These considerations will at once dismiss the charge that Japan is a warlike nation, just because the history records so many stories of warfare."

JAPANESE ART.

"Turning in the direction of art, a study of Japanese art will enable an observer to understand most clearly the true characteristics of the Japanese people. The study of the Japanese art was introduced to Western countries by men like the late Prof. Fenollosa and other close observers. There is no art object of Japan which is not somehow related with the Buddhist religion, whether in paintings, sculptures or buildings. The master pieces of Japanese art are Buddhist paintings, Buddhist images or Buddhist temples. These facts will tell most eloquently how peace-loving and devoutly religious the Japanese are. The ideas of the Japanese people are not aggressive or bellicose. The Nishikiye, which Europeans and Americans appraise so much, are representations of the peaceful and peace-loving society and customs of Japan. They are evidences to prove how leisurely and serene the Japanese people are, and to prove that the Japanese are not a warlike or chauvinistic people. We pay especially high tributes and thanks to Fenollosa, who was an American and who studied Japanese art and introduced it to the world."

LITERATURE PRAISES PEACE.

"The same thing may be said about literature. If poetry, songs and other forms of literature really represent ideas and national characteristics of a nation, there can be no literature so devoted to peace and the praise of peace as the Japanese literature."

Of the poetry, the *Ogya* Hyakunin Isshu—104-line classic—were the most popular literature in Japan. The cards with those poems are played by the old and young, men and women in Japan in the New Year season throughout the country. The poems thus exercising a great influence upon the young men and women of the country for hundreds of years and helping to preserve the beautiful customs and sentiments of the families of Japan. But where can one find a warlike spirit in the one hundred poem? They sing of nothing but flowers, birds, the moon and nature, or of love, of peace and quietness or the happiness of the people. The national anthem of Japan, the "Kimigayo" sings of the eternity of the Imperial destiny and it contains no note of aggression. Compared with it, the national anthems of other advanced countries are far more aggressive in spirit. Some of the foreign national anthems are extraordinarily warlike and aggressive, a fact which is astonishing to us, because of the brave spirit and the spirit of action embodied in them.

"As for other forms of literature, there is no need to dwell upon them here. Certainly there are the *Taibei*, the *Genpei Seisui*—ad other historical romances, but it is not correct to call them warlike literature. They only use war stories in the interest of literature. In the Tokugawa period, the literature became effeminate, thereby exercising an effeminate influence upon society, but no literary work of the period aroused the aggressive ambition of the people."

"Thus reviewed, one can see that the misunderstandings of a section of foreigners are based upon their ignorance of the true Japanese characteristics, the history and literature. Such foreign critics base their opinion upon their own hallucinations. The intelligent persons in the world want to study the Japanese characteristics calmly and dispassionately. Rather than anything else, it should be said that the Japanese people are a backward race. If they can pursue a contented family life, they will shun activity and tend to indulge in idleness."

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That is a prevailing custom. Again, to succeed to one's father's business or trade is regarded as the first principle of moral conduct. Succeeding to his father's business, maintaining his father's house, aging like his father and being buried in his ancestors' graveyard is regarded as the life work. How can such a people be charged with warlike ambition and dangers of aggrandizing foreign territory?

SELFISHNESS IS ALLEGED.

The second misunderstanding is that Japan is selfish, that Japan promotes her own interests by disregarding those of other nations and that she is too selfish to consider the common interests of the world. Therefore, the critics say that Japan's development is a menace to the world and that her development is undesirable.

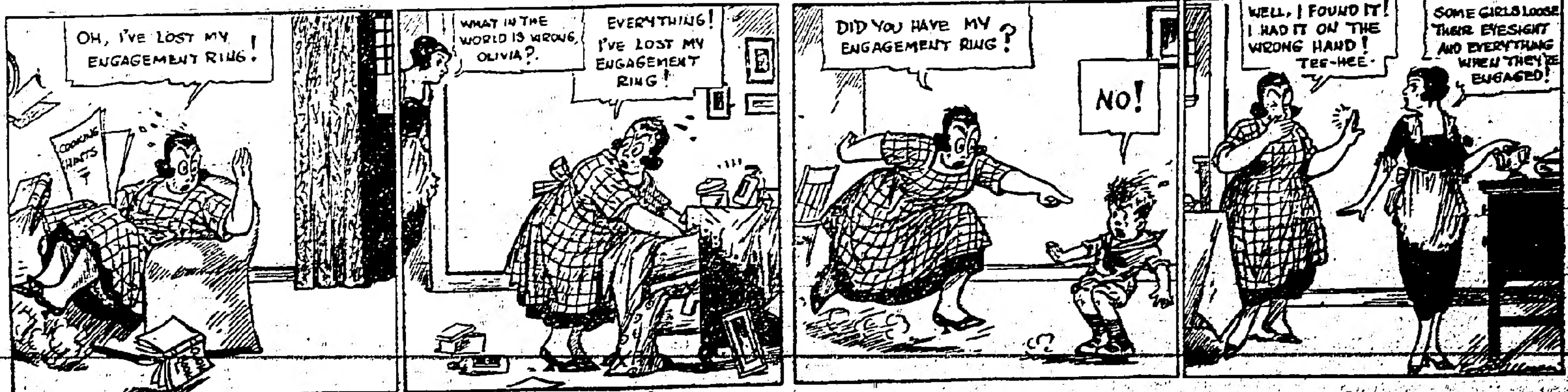
"I confidently believe that the charges as described in the foregoing paragraph represent biased views of a very small minority. The majority of intelligent persons in Europe and America do not entertain such views. We need not refer to ancient illustrations. Regarding the attitude of Japan in the European war, we want a fair judgment rendered by foreign critics. In the beginning of the war, Japan's attitude was watched with keen interest and great importance was attached to it by the Allies and the Central European Alliance. Especially, on the part of Germany, it had been expected that Japan, still entertaining grudges of the Russo-Japanese war, would attack Russia from the rear, which was an open secret at the time. But Japan, true to the great principle of the Anglo-Japanese Alliance, rose in the interests of humanity on the side of the Allies. She thus rendered a valuable service toward the cause of victory for the Allies. This is too plain a fact to need reiteration. Because of Japan's participation, England was enabled to withdraw her Oriental fleet to be used in the Mediterranean and the North Seas."

"To be sure, we can not say that there has been no cause for misunderstandings as regards affairs with China in the question of the ability of the men in power at the time. It was not due to any of traditional principle of Japan. That the result of the deals with China were not such as a section of Americans have understood them to be, is a matter which has now been brought home clearly to the people of the world. Of that I am firmly convinced."


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CONDITIONS IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Effect of American Rule.

There is an excellent penal system in the Philippines, writes Mr. Frederick Stubbs, F.R.G.S. Bilbid prison, situated in the heart of Manila, and covering 27 acres, with 50 buildings, is one of the largest and finest in the world. Here, through the courtesy of the Director, Dr. Dade, I witnessed the daily parade and drill. It is one of the sights of the city, and a small charge is made, which is spent in athletic supplies.

Many of the native spectators, attend every week to see their friends on parade, but I hope it is unnecessary to say that was not the purpose of my visit. There was a band of sixty performers, all prisoners, and while it played the other prisoners went through various gymnastic exercises. Over 2,000 paraded. The prisoners live in large dormitories, not cells, and are allowed to smoke in rest hours, also to play games. There is no solitary confinement, except for condemned men, but there are a good many hangings, the inspector himself, strange to say, being chief hangman.

Prisoners rarely attack the warders, of whom they have a wholesome dread, but will sometimes attack and even kill a fellow prisoner against whom they have a grudge. There are large salerooms for the sale of furniture and other articles made by the prisoners. Many of the men are employed in public works in the city, working in gangs.

European prisoners are kept quite separate. There are two large penal settlements in the country, where less hardened prisoners are sent to engage in agricultural work. With the exception of three or four salaried officials, all the officers and warders are themselves prisoners. The warders carry a large knife, but no rifle.

THIEF TO CATCH A THIEF.

The prisoners guard one another, and seldom attempt to escape. At one period, however, 17 managed to escape, and became bandits, robbing wherever they went. My informant, the director, therefore assembled the other prisoners, explained to them the necessity of discipline and the serious consequences if these men were not caught, ordered them to find the absconding men, and bring them in dead or alive, or to bring their heads, and gave them three months to do it. Within that period they brought in 15 heads and two live prisoners, and were generously rewarded for their fidelity. This effectually put a stop to brigandage in that district, and no prisoner has escaped since. "Set a thief to catch a thief." This may seem a somewhat novel and vigorous mode of procedure, but the director explained to me that had he waited for constabulary or troops to be sent from Manila, much time would have been wasted, but setting thieves to catch thieves with the hope of

generous reward, the men went about the work with energy and determination, and knowing their habits, soon had the whole band killed or captured. It is a pity our own police are not allowed a little more freedom and initiative.

COMMERCE OF THE PHILIPPINES.

The Philippines are an exceedingly rich and productive country, and could be made to support fifty million people. At present owing to the lack of labour and enterprise, the natives hardly grow enough to feed themselves. The principal exports are hemp, coconut oil, sugar, tobacco, and copra, in the order given. Rice is the largest crop, but is consumed locally. Sixty per cent. of the trade is with the United States. Japan coming second, which shows that trade follows the flag. The British trade is small, but might be increased.

The Philippines send cigars, tobacco, and hemp to Australia, and receive flour, biscuits, butter, jam, meat, coal, and apples in return. Australian goods are highly valued. Owing to the war requirements, strikes, and shortage of shipping, the Australian trade, however, has been much restricted of late, but when these restrictions are removed, it might, in my judgment, soon be doubled. Here are a few tips for merchants. Catalogues should be printed in both Spanish and English, and code words for each item. There should be a full description of goods in large type, giving the weight of articles, size of box, and price, and there should be liberal discounts. Small tins and packages are preferred. There is also room for mining speculation, as there is no doubt that there are considerable quantities of gold in the country, and labour is cheap and water plentiful.

QUESTION OF INDEPENDENCE.

In conclusion one cannot but admire the work that has been accomplished during the American occupation. But I think the Americans are inclined to throw overmuch responsibility upon the natives, who now fill nearly all positions in the administration. It would have been better, in my judgment, if the Americans had kept the reins in their own hands a little longer, the administration would have gained in efficiency, and progress been more rapid and certain. As for independence, for which so many Filipinos are crying out if granted, there would in my judgment, be rapid deterioration in the public services; all progress and improvement would be checked; before long there would be international complications, and the islands would ultimately fall a prey to a stronger Power. In the past Germany coveted the islands, and would have fought the United States for their possession had not England intervened. To-day another great Power has its eyes upon them, and if America retires will, when the opportune moment arrives, take America's place, to the distinct disadvantage of the Philippines.

COMMERCIAL NEWS.

PROPOSED RUBBER MORATORIUM.
The rubber smallholders in Singapore are petitioning for a moratorium.

CANADIAN SHOES.
Canadian factories supply 95 per cent. of the shoes required in the Dominion.

NAGASAKI WATERWORKS.
Construction of the new waterworks reservoir at Nagasaki was commenced last month.

NIIPPON ELECTRIC COMPANY.
The Nippon Electric Company has decided to issue debentures to the extent of Yen 500,000,000.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.
The Canton-Hankow Railway has ordered 12 new heavy locomotives and is about to order 90 freight cars.

CHINESE COAL.
Sales of coal from the mines of the Fu Chung Corporation amounted to 77,332 tons for the month of October.

NEW SWISS COMMERCIAL EXCHANGE.
The new Swiss Commercial Exchange, which will deal with Swiss trade with foreign countries, has been opened.

RICE MARKET AT SAIGON.
Messrs. Wm. G. Hale and Co., Ltd., in their latest circular to hand from Saigon, state that the rice market is still dropping owing to the lack of demand.

OIL-DRILLING IN HONGKONG.
It is reported semi-officially that a Anglo-Chinese company has secured the sanction of the Chinese Government for oil-drilling operations in Hsingkiang.

BRITISH OIL-INTERESTS.
British oil interests are showing renewed activity in Mexico and Ecuador, while the British Government itself has started a survey of the Hungarian oil fields.

KAILAN COAL.
The total output and sales of coal from the mines of the Kailan Mining Administration's mines for the week ended November 13 were 86,653 and 67,300 tons respectively.

TRANS-PACIFIC AIR FLIGHT.
The proposed trans-Pacific flight will start from San Francisco or Seattle, the route being Honolulu, Guam, Yap, Manila and a port on the China Coast which has not yet been decided on.

UNIFICATION OF AUSTRALIAN RAILWAYS.
The decision to unify the Australian railways will mean the requirement of steel rails in enormous quantities. It is probable that the third-rail system will be adopted.

PROPOSED ELECTRIC PLANT AT URUGUA.
The Chinese Press reports that negotiations are proceeding at Peking between influential Manchurian and a large American corporation with a view to the installation of an electrical plant and water system at Uruga.

MINING AT SAGHALIEN.
It is understood that a mining concern under the name of the Saghalien Mining Company, capitalized at Y.10,000,000, is being established jointly by the Japanese Government and prominent Japanese commercial magnates, as a means of developing South Saghalien.

WARNING TO BUYERS FROM RUSSIAN AGENTS.
The British Consul at Vladivostok, in a telegram recently received in the Department of Overseas Trade, states that British firms, before buying goods lying at Vladivostok from Russian agents abroad, should, in order to avoid possible legal dispute, first ascertain by application to the Consulate whether their title to the goods would be recognized by the Russian authorities.

GERMAN SCHEME TO ACCELERATE PRODUCTION.
The Berliner Zeitung-am-Mittag states that the Ministry of Economics is preparing a memorandum on Labour Conservation as part of the Government programme of economic and financial reconstruction. The idea is to compel all available males between 18 and 25 years of age to work for a certain definite period in coal-mining and allied industries for the purpose of accelerating production.

FUNERALS OF JAPANESE IMPERIAL FAMILY.
The special committee of the Commission on Imperial Household Institute has decided the draft law of the funerals of the Imperial family, and the same will be placed before the full meeting of the Commission of the Imperial Household Institute before long.

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ENGLISH BEAUTY.

An American Opinion.

Mr. W. L. George, the English novelist, could hardly have made a hit with his audience—his subject was "The American Woman"—when, confessing that he had been dazzled by feminine beauty in America, he had come to the conclusion that American women were more attractive than the fair ones of other countries—of England, for instance—because here the skill of the dressmaker adds artificial natural charms. Mr. George may be suspected of a sly insinuation that English women are really the most beautiful in the world to him. He admits that they are not as well "groomed" as their American sister, and for that reason they suffer by comparison.

American women who have visited England will readily agree that it is women do not know how to dress. The criticism usually made of them is that they are dowdy. Perhaps it can be claimed for English women that they generally have better complexions and voices that fall more softly upon the ear. Good looks are rarer among them than among the women of cities like New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and San Francisco: to put it in another way, the average of physical attractiveness is higher among the Americans, and the cause of it may be found in the blending of the types of beauty of several different races. Beauty comes out of the melting-pot as well as characteristics. At any rate, the dressmaker does not deserve much of the credit Mr. George gives her.—New York Times.

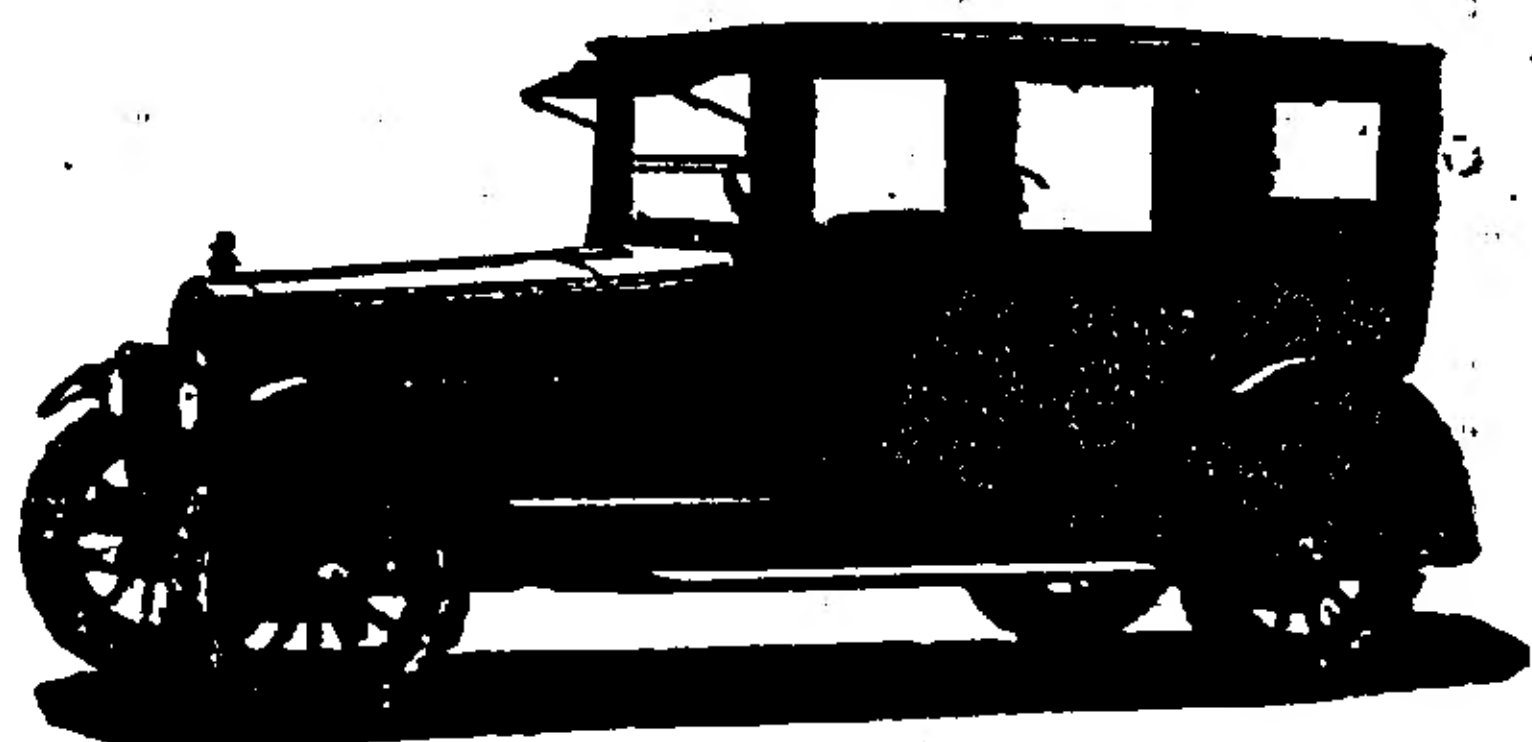
ALLIED BETROTHAL OF IMPERIAL SCION.

Newspapers in the capital both Chinese-owned and foreign-edited have recently been giving currency to the story that the Imperial family have been dunning the Government for a huge sum of their allowances in arrears in order to defray expenses connected with the Emperor's marriage. So big a sum as \$1,500,000 has been mentioned. Such statements are entirely without foundation, writes a correspondent to the N. C. Daily News.

It is of course true that the payments to the Manchus are much in arrears and that money is none too plentiful in the Forbidden City. But I understand that a fair proportion of the allowances have been paid, and that no complaints of any kind have emanated from the Palace, especially in view of the known financial stringency and of the terrible want caused by the famine. It is authoritatively stated that not only is there no demand for money in connexion with the marriage of the Emperor, but that all reports even of his betrothal are devoid of truth. This question is not likely to engage the attention of the Imperial family for some years to come.

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Discussion at Sanitary Board.

The fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon. Mr. G. R. Sayer presided and there were present: Dr. W. W. Pearce (Medical Officer of Health), Dr. F. M. G. O'Brien, Messrs. S. W. Tao, Chow Shou-son and C. M. W. Reynolds (Secretary).

Dealing with the subject of a proposed cemetery at Ho Mun Tin, the Chairman stated that the reservation of a piece of ground at Ho Mun Tin for burial purposes was most desirable, as it would relieve the congestion in the cemeteries in Hongkong and afford convenience to Kowloon residents. This site shown in the plan (which we understand is near the old Smallpox Hospital on Kowloon City Road) had been suggested as a very suitable area, being a secluded spot. The allotment of the area was for the Governor-in-Council, but the division of the land into sections was a matter for the Board to decide. The only question was whether the area would be sufficient to meet the normal demand for burial grounds for all time. With the system of exhumation after seven or eight years' interment, however, it was hoped that there would be no fear of insufficient room in the cemetery. The cemetery would be divided into sections, for Protestants, Roman Catholics and Chinese. Sections A and B would be devoted to burial of poor Chinese or Chinese destitutes who could not afford to pay any fees other than the expenses for digging. The Chinese section would be run more or less on the same lines as the Tung Wah Hospital cemetery. There were roughly 315 burials per month.

The Chairman moved a recommendation to the Governor-in-Council for the allotment of a piece of ground at Ho Mun Tin for burial purposes. Seconded by Mr. Chow Shou-son, the motion was carried unanimously.

The other business of the meeting included the authorization of Health Inspector P. R. Bessley to enter premises and seize unwholesome food.

JAPANESE PUBLICATIONS.

From the Japanese Consulate we have received a trio of notable volumes consisting of a Handbook of the Old Shrines and Temples (published by the Bureau of Religions, Department of Education), which contains a quantity of information well illustrated; "Administrative reforms in Korea," being a reprint of a number of leading articles in the Seoul Press dealing with the reorganization of the administration on the appointment of Baron Saito as Governor-General in August 1919; and the Financial and Economic Annual, comprising the Budget statement for the year ended March 31, 1920, to which is appended a concise survey of the effect of the war upon Japan.

WHITEHALL GOSSIP.

The Liberal Split Over Ireland.

A writer in a Home paper says:—Ireland, that red recurring decimal in British politics, will be the hot theme of contention when Parliament reassembles. It is pointed out that Mr. Lloyd George seemed proud to be addressing a meeting of Welsh Liberals, but that on the following day he made a most ill-liberal speech on Ireland. The wildness of his words amazed even London, and the effect was even more devastating in the provinces, I am told. The result will be to widen the cleavage and accentuate the bitterness between the Coalition and the Independent Liberals. Ireland is regarded as the test-stone of Liberalism.

While Mr. Asquith has gone still further on the road towards generosity of decision as regards Ireland, Mr. Lloyd George has made his trumpet sound the Tory music. He has abandoned the traditions of Gladstone and joined the armed camp of Sir Edward Carson. For Sir Edward he has a profound respect. He once told me that no one in the House since the days of Joseph Chamberlain had Carson's pitiless power of fixing upon the weakness in an opponent's argument. During the last session, when the debate on General Dyer's conduct at Amritsar was taking place, Sir Edward Carson made a gesture of impatience with the Government and took so many Coalition Members into the division lobby with him as to give the Government Whips the fright of their lives.

EYES ON MR. CHURCHILL.

On that occasion the Government was saved by Liberal and Labour votes. Through the question was India, it was Ireland that was in the mind of Sir Edward Carson. He wanted to warn the Government that Delhi and Dublin are not so far removed. I recall the incident to show that he left a grave fear in the hearts of the Coalition. And the Coalition is so constituted that it cannot afford to give offence to Carson and his camp followers. In other and plainer words, it dare not introduce Liberalism into its Irish policy.

During the Amritsar debate Mr. Churchill made a noble Liberal speech. Dare he do the same in the coming Irish debate in the Commons? If he would show political independence of this kind it would go far to restate him in favour with the country. More probably he will give his own picturesque, melodramatic expression to the Prime Minister's views concerning Ireland. He will probably out-Carson Carson. But the truth is that the plain man cannot see why General Dyer should be reproved for the reckless use of the sword in India and the "Black and Tans" in Ireland praised for the same behaviour. There is inconsistency somewhere. But that is the vice of Coalition.

In the election of December, 1918, I had a long conversation with Mr. Churchill who spoke with affection and a sort of wistful reverence about Mr. Asquith. "The Old Man," he said, "is the greatest of them all in intellect." I scarcely think he will relish the game of lashing his former chief with his rhetorical whip.

HATERS OF CRITICISM.

As for the difference between Lord Grey and Mr. Asquith as to proposed Irish policy, it is a further illustration of the division existing on many questions in the ranks of the Wee Frees. There is no unanimity on questions like Nationalisation, a Capital Levy, and others. But Ireland after all bids fair to make the Opposition Front Benches more vigorous and trenchant and heated than at any time during the life of the present Parliament, and anything that can kindle the forces of criticism is good for the country. Mr. Lloyd George hates criticism. He demands absolute allegiance, and is as much an autocrat in this respect as Lord Northcliffe himself. But criticism is good for Mr. Lloyd George, if he could but see it. A few more Kenworthys would not be to the disadvantage of the country.

I hear that the Labour Party have been for some weeks in continuous touch with Irish Labour with a view to ascertaining some basis that might promise peace. Interesting communications are taking place, but so far without definite result. The Party is resolved to press for a strong commission, judicially constituted, to take evidence on oath regarding the doings of Dublin Castle. If it comes to pass there will, I am told, be startling revelations.

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The mandate has gone forth that Coalition Liberals should get over local difficulties and dissensions in their own constituencies by fierce attacks on Labour extremists. This can now be regarded as official Downing Street strategy. The Prime Minister feels that an attack on Labour bids fair to unite Liberals of whatever shade of colour. Sir Godfrey Collings, a Coalition Liberal M.P. who represents a West of Scotland constituency and is marked out for early Government office, took Mrs. Snowden's book on Russia as his theme and went for Labour tooth and nail at a great meeting the other night. He got an hour's heckling, but claims to have united his own Liberal followers. I use him as an illustration of the fact that the Coalition platform programme is to attack Labour mercilessly. It is curious that a book by Mrs. Philip Snowden should become an official test book for Coalition speakers.

The Ministry of Transport is hustling the local authorities to expedite the making and improving of roads. Official forms have been circulated and plans and claims are now beginning to pour in. Similarly I hear that the Ministry of Health is taking over numerous local housing schemes, taking them out of the hands of the local authorities altogether, in order that the work may be put in hand under Government authority without delay. We ought to see great developments this winter in the making of roads and the putting up of houses.

WHO IS FOR INDIA?

I was chatting the other night with a member of the Government who was with Mr. Lloyd George during his holiday in Lucerne. He tells me that the Prime Minister never once referred to domestic matters but concentrated his mind on European problems. He is now devoting himself to internal affairs, and I can testify that the Government is in need of his energy and drive.

Who will go to India as Viceroy? That is the most momentous appointment the Government has to make at present. There are rumours that Lord Derby may be invited. Others suggest Lord French. The Lord Chancellor's illness causes his name to be mentioned once more. It is suggested that now he may be willing to reconsider the matter. He really wants to go but cannot tear himself away from home politics. Some propose Sir Robert Horne, saying that he would be an ideal Governor of India. Lord Lee, the President of the Board of Agriculture, is also in the running. No decision has yet been come to and I simply give these names as likely stars.

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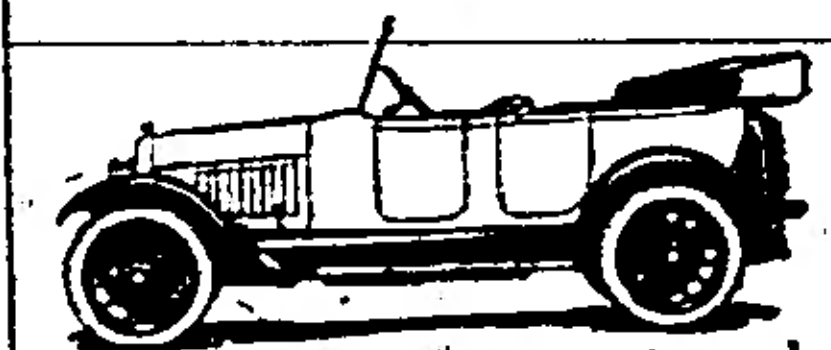
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Notice is hereby given that TENDERS are invited for a vertical boiler, about four feet in diameter and nine feet in height, either new or used, together with the usual steam and water mountings suitable, for use on a Priestman Dredger. Tenders will be considered only on boilers in good working condition.

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The Conservancy does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

P. R. WALSHAM.

Hon. Secretary and Treasurer to the Min River Conservancy. Foochow, 30th November, 1920.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO., (1918), LTD.

NOTICE OF CALL.

NOTICE is hereby given that a call of \$1 per share, has been made upon all members holding shares upon which only \$3 has been paid, and that such call will be payable to the Bankers of the Company, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation at Hongkong, on the 1st day of March 1921.

FOR THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918), LTD.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. General Managers.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1920.

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NOTICE.

THE CHINA LIGHT & POWER CO. (1918) LTD.

THE SECOND ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 23rd December, 1920, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 30th September, 1920, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from FRIDAY the 17th December 1920 until THURSDAY the 23rd December, 1920, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO. General Managers.

Hongkong, 7th December, 1920.

NOTICE.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA.

From ROTTERDAM via
HAMBURG, ANTWERP &
SINGAPORE

The Company's Steamship
"HIMALAYA MARU"

having arrived from the above
ports. Consignees of Cargo
are hereby notified that their
goods are being landed and placed
at their risk in the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns at Kowloon.
where delivery can be obtained
as soon as the goods are landed.

Goods not cleared by the 13th
Dec. will be subject to rent.

Damaged packages must be
left in the Godowns for examina-
tion by the Consignees' repre-
sentative and the Company's
Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and
Douglas, at 10 a.m. on Wednes-
day and Saturday. All claims
must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival here,
after which date they cannot be
recognized. No claim will be
admitted after the goods have
left the Godowns.

No fire insurance whatever will
be effected.

Consignees are requested to
send in their Bills of Lading for
countersignatures immediately.

OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA,
Y. YASUDA,
Manager.

Hongkong 7th December, 1920.

CONSIGNEES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE ADMIRAL LINE.

The Steamship
"CITY OF SPOKANE"

having arrived from Seattle
via ports, on 2nd December,
consignees are hereby notified
that their cargo is being landed
at their risk into the Hazardous and
or Extra-Hazardous Godowns of
The Hon Shan Godown Co.,
16 & 17 Kennedy Town, Praya,
Hongkong, and stored at con-
signee's risk.

Consignees of cargo must pro-
duce an Import permit signed by
the Superintendent of Imports
and Exports, Hongkong, before
Bills of Lading will be counter-
signed.

All broken, chafed and damaged
cargo is to be left in the Godowns
where it will be examined at 10
a.m. on 8th inst. by the Co's
Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard and
Douglas.

All claims must be presented
within thirty days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which they
cannot be recognized. No claim
will be recognized after the goods
have left the Godowns, and cargo
undelivered on and after 8th
inst. will be subject to rent.

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where delivery can be obtained
as soon as the goods are landed.
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tion by the Consignees' repre-
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the steamer's arrival here, after
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send in their Bills of Lading for
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OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA,
Y. YASUDA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 5th December, 1920.

DENIKIN PAPER MONEY
IN FRANCE.

An Obscure Smuggling
Enterprise.

Two Levantines recently alarm-
ed that peaceable portion of
French bourgeoisie which be-
lieves in grandiose Bolshevik plots
backed by huge propaganda funds.
Coming from Constantinople, two
travellers, Levi and Samuel, were
found in possession of "double-
bottomed" trunks by the Customs
officers of the Paris terminus.
Hidden in the depths of these
trunks were bundles of Denikin
paper money to the face value
of 72,000,000 roubles. Impressed
by the importance of their find,
the officials sent the two men to
prison under a strong guard.

On riper reflection, the Pre-
fecture of Police realised that all
this money was worth at current
rates some 350 francs as waste
paper. The notes are printed on
rather good quality paper. All
that remains of the mystery,
according to the Temps, is the
object of these two merchants in
taking the trouble to come so far
with such a load. They them-
selves vaguely suggest "an
operation on the Bourse." It
should be worth watching.

PROFITABLE FLYING.

Civil Uses of the Aeroplane.

General Sir Sefton Branker,
K. C. B., recently lectured on
"The Most Recent Developments
of Civil Aviation" in the
engineering lecture-room of
Edinburgh University. Professor
Hudson Beare presided over a
numerous attendance. General
Branker indicated three classes of
services which might be perform-
ed by commercial aeroplanes—
(1) a regular service for mails,
passengers, and goods at a high
speed, as supplement to the
ordinary means of transport by
rail; (2) irregular services, carry-
ing all kinds of commodities over
undeveloped countries, where
railways and roads are not
available; (3) survey work, such
as fire patrols in large tracts of
forest, the location of whales,
seals, and fish. For the success
of the first class of service it
must be much faster than other
services, and must run to time.
In the London-to-Paris service
the aeroplanes were now actual-
ly running to time. For this
work aeroplanes capable of a
speed of at least 100 miles an
hour were necessary, and they
must fly in all weathers. The
frugal service did not make
such high demands. Its cost
would compare favourably with
the actual cost to day of transport
by coolies, oxen, and other
methods. The lecturer instanced
a route between Peru and
Brazil which could be covered in
a few hours by aeroplane, but
which otherwise took six weeks.
He did not think aerial survey
had a great future for commercial
transport companies. The aero-
plane was essentially a short-
distance vehicle. If they made
flights of beyond 300 miles, they
were simply carrying petrol at an
exorbitant rate. The aeroplane
transport's one special gift to
mankind was speed. It was go-
ing to provide a new communica-
tion service, lying somewhere
between wireless and cable
telegraphs on one hand and rail-
ways and steamships on the other.
RELIABILITY AND CHEAPNESS.

The business man always had
two serious objections. The first
was that it was unreliable, and
the second that it was too expen-
sive. Unreliability was the result
of personal error, failure of
material, and weather. He was
convinced personally the error
could be eliminated as much as
in driving ships, trains, and motor
cars. It was merely a matter of
experience and proper training.
In the London and Paris service
there had been only two serious
accidents in fifteen months. Five
aeroplanes had been lost. Two
fell in the Channel through having
lost their way in a fog, and
through not having adequate
compasses, and the want of a
system of weather reports. There
was a complete smash owing to
an engine failing, in which no one
was hurt. One accident occurred
from the pilot being too zealous,
and failing to land in Kentshire,
according to instructions, when
there was a fog. He thought he
knew the country very well, and
would get through, and he flew
into a tree, and killed himself
and his passenger. In another
case, after landing owing to fog,
the pilot went up with a joy-
passenger at night, and had
trouble in starting. No one else
had been scratched in that fifteen
months of flying in every kind of
weather.

LADIES' HATS BY AEROPLANE.
It was not generally recognised
that the air engine was working
under better conditions than the
engine used for road transport,
owing to the absence of shocks
caused by road inequalities and
dust. The practical study of the
weather and the organisation of
weather reporting were now to
be the life-blood of this new

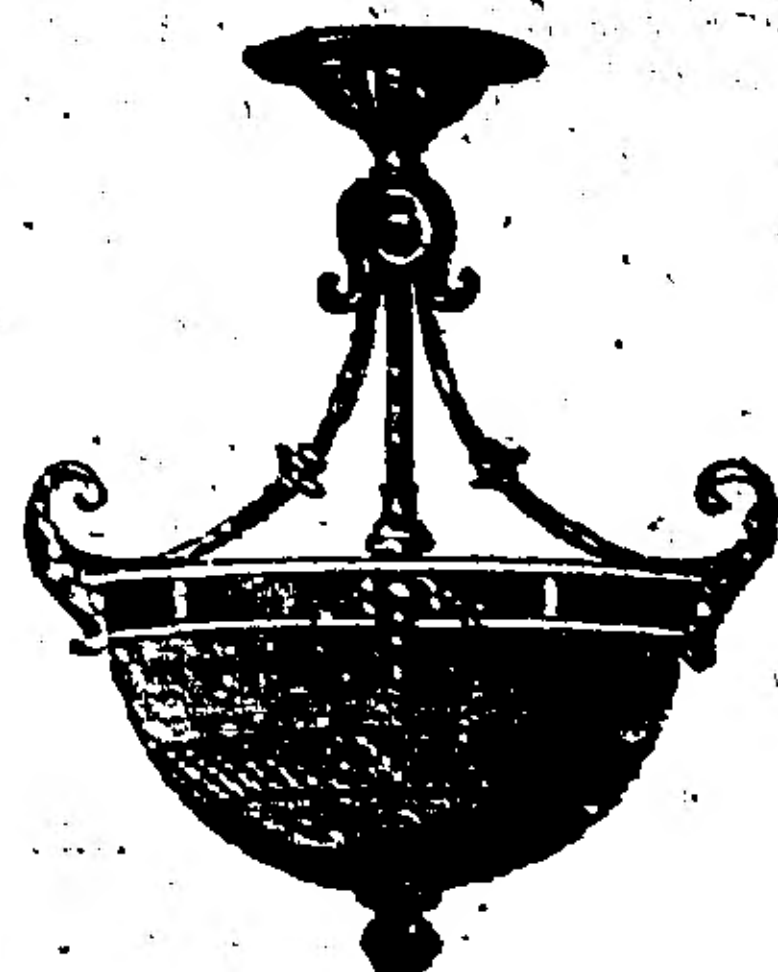
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ber of tanks to store oil fuel for
the British Navy. The tanks
will cover 80 acres on the Cornish
bank of the River Tamar, opposite
Devonport Dockyard, and prac-
tically alongside the moorings of
our biggest battleships.

The total estimated cost is
£355,000, and the estimates pro-
vide for the expenditure of near-
ly £200,000 by April next. The
Admiralty have bought the land
from General Pole-Carew.

It will probably take over three
years to complete the entire
scheme. Present arrangements
are to erect 15 tanks of steel.
Ten will be built by contracts in
sections, and four each at the
Devonport and Portsmouth Dock-
yards.

Tenders are to be invited for
ten more tanks, so that altogether
25 will be erected, and the site
will provide accommodation for a
still larger number.

A large amount of preliminary
work will be necessary on ex-
cavations and concrete founda-
tions, and it is expected that this
will help to solve the local un-
employment problem.

industry. They could now fly
almost in any weather. They
had flown in wind recorded at 60
miles an hour. So long as they
were in the air the wind did not
matter—the difficulty in strong
winds was in leaving or reaching
the ground. The only form of
weather that was really difficult
was bad visibility—the result of
fog or mist, or of snow or clouds,
down over the tops of the hills and
mountains. The lecturer pro-
ceeded to give figures showing
the cost of a service between
London and Paris for passengers
and goods, including the capital
expenditure necessary for eight
aeroplanes and other equipment
required, the running costs cal-
culated at £50 a trip, and the
receipts bringing out a substan-
tial profit. The whole question
was, would they get the load.
His own opinion was "Yes, cer-
tainly." The load was growing
every day. He had had more
passengers than they could carry,
although the quantity of goods—
charged at 81. per lb.—was not
yet up to the desired standard.
One item in which commercial
men had seen the advantage of
this quick method of carrying
was in ladies' hats and dresses
from Paris, but unfortunately
they took up little space, and
weighed only about eight ounces.
(Laughter.) Improvements in
the structure of aeroplanes, the
lecturer indicated, would include
the metal propeller, and even-
tually they might expect the al-
metal aeroplane.

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a vehicular tunnel under the
River. It is true that tunnels
under the Hudson River have
existed for a number of years,
but the vehicular project presents
difficulties which did not exist in
the cases of the railway tunnels
of the Pennsylvania or the other
tunnels devoted to local electric
traffic.
Provision must be made in the
case of the vehicular tunnel for a

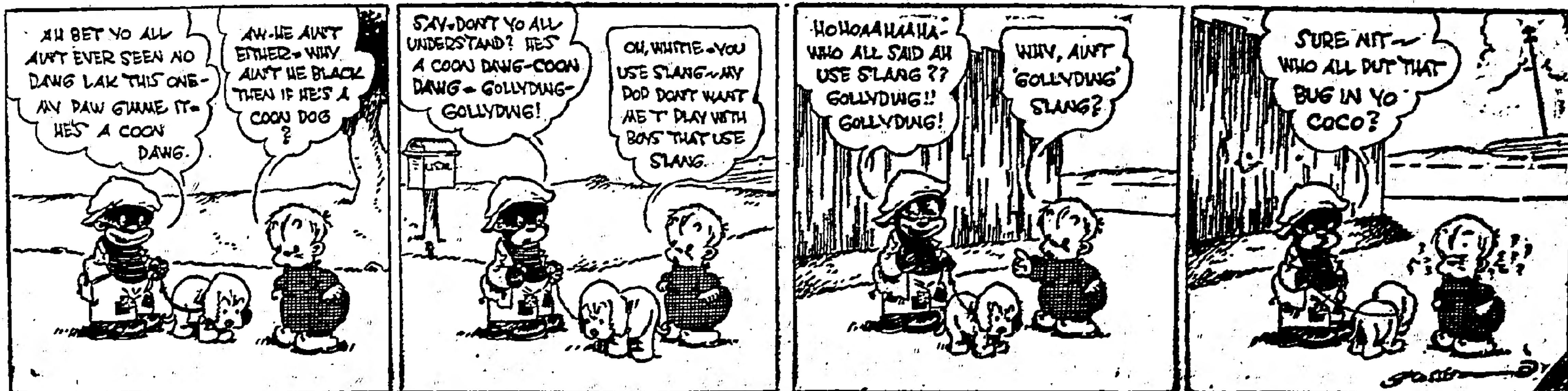
most elaborate system of ventila-
tion. Since this tunnel will be
used largely by motor trucks, the
need for perfect ventilation will
be easily realized. As is well
known, the fumes from the
exhaust of automobiles contain
carbon monoxide, a deadly gas
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Birth.

GLENDENNING.—At Matilda Hospital, on 7th December, 1920, to Mr. and Mrs. P. Glendenning, a daughter.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 1920.

A SINN FEIN OVERTURE.

Father O'Flanagan, "acting President of Sinn Fein," has telegraphed to the Premier asking what first step towards peace in Ireland the latter proposes. The reverend President asserts that Ireland is willing. After all the manifestoes of the Sinn Fein irreconcilables, it is a great change to hear one of the organisation, and he the acting President, announce that Ireland is now in a Barkis-like frame of mind. The average Britisher is not likely to be over-sanguine; on the other hand, he will certainly hail any overture that offers the slightest prospect of concord. In regard to the present approach so much depends upon what body of Sinn Fein opinion Father O'Flanagan speaks for and upon what terms he and his associates are disposed for peace. This is evidently the Premier's quandary, for in reply to a question in Parliament he stated that before responding to the overture he wished to discover whether Father O'Flanagan is able to speak for "the Sinn Fein party." That is just the question. From his title of "acting President of Sinn Fein" one would, on ordinary reasoning, infer that Father O'Flanagan is entitled to speak for the whole body, but the constitution and ramifications of Sinn Fein are not a little perplexing. Mr. Arthur Griffith has lately been the "acting President of the Irish Republic," vice Mr. Valera, absent in America. Is Father O'Flanagan taking over from Mr. Griffith, who—generally spoken of as one of the moderate Sinn Feiners—has just been arrested for sedition? It is natural, then, that the Premier desired to assure himself for her as to Father O'Flanagan's status, the more so as the Sinn Fein Divisional Council in Dublin at once repudiated the acting President.

Adopting the more hopeful view that the acting President represents the majority of Sinn Fein, and overlooking, in the strange circumstances of Ireland, the unusual spectacle of an ecclesiastic as secular head, what sort of conditions are feasible as the outcome of negotiations? The fact of an approach indicates that the acting President starts from the standpoint that a Republic is out of the question, else he would not propose peace discussions. That is one step to the good. What, then, would the acting President be likely to stipulate? "Dominion Government in the fullest sense?"—to use Mr. Asquith's phrase. The recent pronouncements of the ex-Premier, coupled with the attitude of the Labour Party, have encouraged the idea of concession to this point. But the acting President must know that Mr. Lloyd George has declared emphatically that such a friend of Ireland as Lord Grey is opposed to it, to say nothing of Viscount Middleton, who preceded most of his Unionist colleagues in conversion to a large measure of autonomy for the Emerald Isle.

Within the last few weeks the Premier has reiterated the strong objections to giving Ireland control of Army, Navy or fiscal policy, at the same time letting it be known that the Government would gladly meet the wishes of a responsible and well-affected body of Irishmen. For one thing generous financial treatment has been spoken of, and some arrangement in regard to fiscal policy may be practicable. Then the relations with Dublin Castle may be modified—though the power of the Viceroyal Lodge is perhaps over-estimated. Again, the position in regard to eventual amalgamation of the Northern and Southern Parliaments might undergo some readjustment in accord with Sinn Fein wishes. In this latter respect the reasonable rights of Ulster would have to be maintained, without allowing the Northern province to fall a settlement on just lines. This is about as far as a Government mainly composed of Unionists can well go. Will Sinn Fein come down to concrete facts and discuss the matter in the spirit of practical politics?

NOTES & COMMENTS.

"Save the Beaches!"

We are heartily glad to see that Mr. Pollock, is at Thursday's meeting of the Legislative Council, proposing a resolution to the effect that it is the duty of the Government to provide the public with adequate facilities for bathing. To an outsider casually picking up a paper containing the text of Mr. Pollock's motion it would probably appear passing strange that such a resolution should be necessary. Our visitor would naturally think of the bays and beaches which this Colony possesses, reflect on the benefits to be obtained during the hot summer months from a dip in the briny, and most likely (if he happened to live at Shanghai, for example) envy the people of Hongkong in its possession of so many spots suitable for bathing. The thought of the many beaches not being available to the general public would never enter his mind. Yet in point of fact there are only two such beaches, within easy reach, where the thousands of bathers unable to afford the comparative luxury of a launch can enjoy a dip; and it is the loss of these with which the public is now threatened. Excepting for a very vague hint at the need for coping with commercial expansion, nothing has been said as to the purpose of which these two stretches of foreshore are needed, and our only hope is that matters have not developed so far that the saving of the beaches for public use will be impossible. The Government cannot shut its eyes to the fact that these bathing-places meet a public need, and if it has so far compromised itself that nothing can be done to retain them, then it will be deserving of strict censure for ignoring popular desire. It is the duty of the Government to safeguard public rights and privileges, not to disregard them or take them away. But we trust that there is still time to save these beaches, and that, as a result of the expressions of popular opinion through the medium of the Press, and of Mr. Pollock's stand in the matter, the Government will do the only right and fair thing.

Improvement in China.

We made mention the other day of the gradual development which is taking place in various parts of China in the matter of the provision of better roads. Glancing over recent Customs reports we see further evidence of a healthy spirit of municipal enterprise in several districts, and we could only wish that complete and lasting peace would be ushered in, so as to allow of a needed expansion of these activities. For example, the Amoy Commissioner states that important works are in progress at Shima, undertaken by the local Chamber of Commerce. Shima is the port of Changchow which with its surrounding district has a population of at least 2½ millions. The foreshore is being reclaimed and bounded. A road of 39 feet width over the bund is to connect with that now nearly completed to Changchow and is to carry electric trams. At Changchow a new city is reported to have arisen. The city walls have been demolished; broad and well-made roads laid out; waterworks, telephones, and electric light established; a system of modern sanitation is contemplated; and good roads have been projected to link up with neighbouring towns. That shows what can be done where the will to advance is in operation. What is especially interesting, also, is the fact that much of the labour employed on these undertakings is military. Here is an example that might be followed throughout China if the soldiery cannot quickly be disbanded—put them on to works of public utility. That would be far better than letting them run wild, pillaging peaceful villages, desecrating churches and breaking up railways.

HUN MANIFESTO OF 1914.

According to a Berlin telegram out of 93 Intellectual signatories to the famous Kultur manifesto of October, 1914, defending Germany's war aims and war conduct 15 are dead. The others have been circled on the subject. Forty-eight profess recantation on various grounds; several say they lent their names without seeing the manifesto; others declare their eyes have been opened; sixteen have refused to recant; and seventeen have not replied to the circular.

DAY BY DAY.

MEN PERCHED ON THE DIZZY PINNACLE OF FAME ARE CONSTANTLY FALLING OFF. THAT IS WHY THERE IS ALWAYS ROOM AT THE TOP.—Patrick F. Murphy.

There was a clean bill of health in the Colony yesterday.

From the B. A. T. Company we have received a most effective wall calendar, issued to advertise "Three Castles" tobacco and cigarettes.

Hongkong's reservoirs on December 1st contained 1,987.93 million gallons as against 1,721.80 on the same date last year. The figures for Kowloon are 369.50 and 329.41 respectively.

A number of men of the South Staffordshire Regiment and the Wiltshire Regiment—whose foreign service battalions are stationed at Singapore and Hongkong respectively—have been asked to extend their service to 12 years with the colours in some cases and to complete for pension in others.

Thomas McCarthy, whose strong liking for liquors was the cause of his discovery in an insensible condition at Queen's Road West yesterday, was called up before the Magistrate this morning. Thomas, with the return of reason, had thought it wise to keep away, and because of this, his Worship ordered that the bail of \$5 upon which he had been allowed free last night after his arrest, be confiscated for the benefit of the Government.

A report of a highway robbery considered by the Police to be of a doubtful character, reached the West Point Police Station yesterday, the complainant being the fooki of a Chinese shop, who states that whilst walking in Beach Street he was attacked by five men and relieved of a sum of \$130 carried in a bag. He also stated that in the attack, one man threw him on the ground, another gagged him and covered his eyes, whilst a third assumed charge of the money bag. They then ran away.

A Chinese from Shanghai was today arraigned before Mr. G.N. Orme on the charge of being in possession of a small quantity of opium which the searchers found on the person of his wife on their arrival here yesterday. A fine of \$200 was inflicted, and against a sentence the prisoner raised a protest, saying that without going to Canton he was unable to obtain the money to pay the fine. The Magistrate said that he was unable to be of assistance to the prisoner in the matter, and he advised him to raise the money by subscription from his friends in the Colony.

A case of "flying the white pigeon" was brought up by Inspector Caygill before Mr. G. N. Orme at the Magistracy to-day. The "pigeon" in this instance is a married woman who was promised by her sister as a bride for a love-sick Chinese man on the condition that he paid over a marriage dowry of \$300. The transaction was accomplished to the satisfaction of the women, but not so in the case of the man. He discovered, when it was too late that his promised bride had bolted from his home, and with her the sum he had paid over as "flying" money. The Police, on being apprised of the swindle, arrested a woman alleged to be the sister of the elusive bride, and produced her for trial before the Magistrate to-day. The hearing was remanded.

In the search after a gold necklace, said to have been stolen from a Chinese woman in Sai Street yesterday by a snatcher, the Police were given considerable trouble by a conjuring trick practised by the prisoner. After a cross-examination in the charge room, in which he denied strenuously that he was concerned in the theft, the Police took the unprecedented course of divesting him of every article of clothing but still the ornament could not be found. A moment later, on looking on the ground, they found the chain lying there, having been thrown down by the prisoner during the search. The sentence passed at the Police Court to-day on this conjuring man was stiff—three months hard labour with eight strokes of well-seasoned rattan.

LINES FROM LINKUMDODDIE.

How MacPherson said Good-bye.

Dear S—

The start of the whole business was MacPherson's letter. The first post comes to our place between seven and eight o'clock, just about the time that the milk and papers are due. Sometimes it's the milk that gets past the post first, and sometimes the papers, with the letters scratched and a non-starter. Though, mind ya, I've seen the letters romp home a ten to one chance, but that's no' often. It's been on the tip of my tongue more than once to cozen Janet into getting up a sweepstake wi' the lot of them but as she'd be almost sure to retort that it would be suiting me better if I were to get up-out of bed, that is—and take them in, well up to now, I've held my tongue. And maybe the wisest thing too, for, mind ya, it's getting colder and colder every morning now and I canna think of anything more cheerless and depressing to start the day wi', than an ice cold bowl in our Arctic kitchen and yodeling along the passage to the back door to be met wi' a blast of our North-East wind ready and willing to play tit between your legs. Aye, it makes a cauld-rife start to a perfect day; besides, thinking about Nansen and the like, so early in the morning, is too much like the stuff that heroes are made of to fit in wi' my idea of a holiday.

Well, to get on wi' it, Mac won that morning. At least Mrs. MacPherson's letter did. Janet got up and took it in. Curiously enough I sleep heaviest in the morning. I think it must be liver. Janet has given it a different name more than once, though her diagnosis is no' aye to be depended on. But let it pass. I was thoroughly awakened up, the MacPherson letter opened, read, commented on. Then a wild rush got into stride right away and within five minutes a one-man band was a case of mixed sleeping sickness and creeping paralysis compared to the activities of my wife. If the MacPherson's were to be here by the 12.10 train the morn there wasn't a minute to be lost. Suddenly a nice cosy, clean little house became a midden and a perfect wilderness. Corriants that looked white enough to see the winter out were filthy dirty in the twinkling of an eye. In about the same time as it takes to say "knife" a thousand and one things in our house were mentally disarranged and rearranged. Whole platoons of inconsequential nothings were mentally "bumped," "numbered," "formed fours" wi' and "dismissed" by the time the morning papers came. I lay still, twiggling my toes in the soft blankets and cursed the MacPherson under my breath for the reeving Highlandman that he was. How it was that he couldn't go quietly back to Hongkong again without disturbing the peaceful calm of a virtuous household was beyond me. There's some folks that would say goodbye if they went no further than the barbers or the bathroom.

I must have fell asleep again looking at the *Daily Sketch* and wondering how a nice looking woman like you could ever have thought of marrying a man who preferred starving himself to living the rest of a lifetime wi' her even if he did happen to be a Lord Mayor and thought in Irish Gaelic. I came to earth again by being asked to decide whether I liked eggs boiled twice or did I prefer doing without. I recalled the dead Lord Mayor though, thought it too empty an honour and decided to start the day there and then. We get our breakfast in the kitchen of a morning. It's nearer the base so to speak and makes the lines of communication much shorter. Did ye ever eat a bowl-proof egg? When an egg is cooked to the knife and fork degree I think it's a sheer waste of sustained effort on the part of the hen no' to speak of the money paid for it. I said as much to Janet. But I might as well have spoken to the calendar on the wall. Haley's Comet is like a Sinn Feiner's funeral compared to the speed my wife gets up when she steps on the accelerator. I put up the collar of my dressing gown. She said if I felt the draught to go and get the rest of my clothes on. Some women can never take a hint.

By and by I said I would have to go out. But for that morning Providence was being run by deputy. Janet was in charge. No, would I please leave golf alone for another twenty-four hours. I said I didna play in my sleep anyway. Janet, though, wasn't so sure about that. Neither was I, for that matter, and so didna contradict her. My job in the meantime, according to plans based on the MacPherson offensive, was to sit in the house and wait for the laundryman. There was the bundle and could I check the things and count the returned pieces did I think? I said I'd try but where in the meantime, on what part of the line, did she propose to be when this distributor of burst collars arrived. Oh! she had messages to go to the butcher's and the Italian warehouseman. When a woman calls a grocer by that fancy name it's a sure sign of company coming and mental aberration. Would she be good enough to step in at the cobblers and tell Wullie B—that I thought the wind wasn't in the right air for that match after dinner-time? The answer was in the negative. Wi' that I gave it up and settled down afore the fire to *The Scotsman* and to the comforting news that Lady Bonham Carter had been telling the woolly whiskered lads in the Isle of Wight that her dear old Dad had been misnamed a traitor by Sir Edward Carson and a lunatic by Mr. Lloyd George, that Mr. Thomas was saying that the industrial fight could be not be a "fight to a finish" without a "bloody upheaval." That Mr. Smillie had been presented wi' a bunch of flowers, that among other wise words Labour was going to govern "whether fit to govern or not," that the scheme at present before the miners appeared to meet the requirements of a settlement which can be accepted by both sides without any feeling of defeat, that "Pussy-foot" had finished making blotting paper of Scotland, that in large families the fifth child is the pick of the bunch, that it took 19 rounds of wall-p and gore to put the lid on forty year old Tancy Lee, that France was getting marked a bit at the idea of Britain having a bit of her own mind left, that experiments with the thyroid gland on a fifty-year-old actress had set Nature thinking, that according to Reuter this year's olive crop in the Holy Land will be a bumper one, that Flower Bed was scratched from the Cambridgeshire at 5 p.m. the day before, and I was just about to read of Pellura's success and beginning to wonder whether Pellura was the name of another horse or one of Wrangle's wrangling Generals when Janet blew in looking a cross between a Christmas Tree and a man suffering from monkey bite.

Dear friend I will not repeat what was said after the discovery of the laundry bundle on the front door step and the charred remains of the steamed pudding. Where were my senses and had I no nose? You bet I had and would she please place that smoking, stinking pot on the window sill? Aye, and make every body think the house was on fire, she sneered. So I ran through the back passage to the coalshed, incidentally near knocking my head off against the pantry door which had conveniently been left open. I wonder what some folks think locks and handles are for anyway? My yell brought her and the next door neighbour out into the garden and we had it out, a message boy who had in the meantime draped himself on the back gate, acting as umpire and volunteering to send for the station ambulance. How could a steam pudding burn anyway? Easy enough you stupid once the water in between the pan and the bowl steamed away. And did she think I was a water circulating system and what's more forbye how the devil was I to know what was in the pot anyway? No, the only pot I ever took any interest in was when I was playing poker. What was I doing all the time in any case? Madam, I said wi' a dignity I could assume wi' a bruised forehead and in the presence of the aforementioned gathering, now augmented by a mason's labourer and the Baptist Kirk minister. Madam, says I, at the time you speak of I was getting measured by a spook tailor for an aura of mystery. And because she didna know what I was talking about, that was the end of that.

Ye mind of the old song, "Oh! I never forget the day, I'll never forget the day, when mother backed the winner of the Derby?"

EX-GERMAN LINERS.

Expected Here in Near Future.

Hongkong may soon see some big ex-German liners passing through on the way to Japan, to whom they have been allotted under the Peace Treaty.

These vessels are being brought out by the N.Y.K. for delivery to the Japanese Government, though at the moment their final disposition is not known.

The first of these ex-German ships to come East will most likely be the s.s. Cap Finisterre, which will be in charge of Captain Butler, a former N.Y.K. commander, an advice from Home dated early last month stating that she would be leaving Liverpool in about two months' time, with 300 first-class and 200 second-class passengers. She is to be followed by the s.s. Kleist, under the command of Captain Dring; whilst later another ex-German liner will be sent out.

The day afore MacPherson came to say good-bye is now a matter of history and ranks in memory wi' the day that I first went to school, the day that I first wore long trousers, the day I got married, and the day I took a 3 to be an 8 on a Derby Sweepstake and thought I had won over \$15,000. As my American buddies would say, it was some day, and then some.

About two o'clock after I had got my tiffin I was hounded into the back yard while my wife and another hired assassin set to and finished the wrecking of our happy home. The lobby was chockful of things and as I sat on the step cleaning my clubs I could hear the dull roar of the offensive in the parlour at the front. By and by I heard Janet say something about tea and shortly after that I sees wi' the tail of my eye the form of her assistant climbing over sundry furniture on her way to the kitchen. I was in the midst of pondering over woman's ability to administer tea in the midst of every crisis in life, when suddenly there was a crash, the windows rattled and a rush of air came along the passage taking the breath from me and nearly blowing five pence half penny out of my hip pocket.

Though she had further to go Janet won the obstacle race to the kitchen. At first I thought the place was on fire, the smoke was so thick. The girl was leaning up against the kitchen dresser wi' a look of astonished distress and nearly a pound of soot on her face. By and by when I saw there was no flame about I chased them both out. The girl was overcome and so was one of my best Brussels Sprouts where she sat on it. Says Janet, open the windows quick and let the smoke out. But, says I, ye mind what ye said in the forenoon about the burnt pudding and the neighbours thinking the house would be on fire. This is different, says she. Aye, that's true, says I; thank the Lord, I wasn't in the front line trenches this time.

After Martha had got her breath and her eyesight back, her tongue began to unlimber and it appeared that it wasn't half a stick of dynamite among the coals as Janet at first thought, but it must have been the methylated spirits she put in the fireplace to set it agoing. H'm, says I, let's go and have a look at the range. And we did. Well it was a good job it wasn't cracked and I said as much, whereupon Janet began to turn nasty at the idea of worrying about the range and no' the lassie. As I pointed out, servants were scarce enough goodness only knows, but ranges were harder to get wi' moulders out of work nowadays and the coalstrike on, to say nothing of the trouble of getting a new one in. But what caused the explosion beat them altogether, so I proceeded to give them a lesson in my best lecturing-room manner on the internal combustion engine. But all talk about hot ranges, vapour, rise of temperature, subsequent explosion was wasted on the acid air for in the midst of it all Janet minded about the Mac-Phersons and her soot laden kitchen and began to grook. We swept up seven and half shovelful of carbonised coal before we saw the pattern of the kitchen linoleum again and it was twenty minutes past eleven o'clock before Martha got away home that night. Some day!

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LINES FROM
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That night I dreamt that I had the MacPhersons out with me in a motor car. Now dreams are funny—no, not really funny, but almighty curious. We never dream of our first love or of departed relatives. Usually we dream of falling off a cliff, of taking a walk along Queen's Road or Prince Street and suddenly finding ourselves bereft of clothing and in the midst of a large and suspicious audience. Well, as I was saying about the MacPhersons, we were getting along fine and dandy when Mrs. Mac began to complain about the cold. I suggested that a good place for her to sit would be on the top of the engine. So Mac and I fixed her there and getting into the car I asked Mac to crank her up which he did with the result that there was a terrific explosion, just like you see in the pictures when the funny men do it and leave them with nothing in their hands but the steering wheel and a bit of a lamp round their neck for a collar. Anyway after the explosion Mrs. Mac was seen again, so Mac and I got on with the good work, finally stopping at a hawker's stall on the Tai Po Road for something to eat. The only thing John had aside from Watson's sodas was a pudding and—of course you've guessed it—aye, it was burnt. How we got there, of course, I don't know but the next minute saw us in Happy Valley at the Racecourse. Mac and I were for a race—an obstacle race—and the obstacles were—right again—furniture. It was a tough race. We were chased by a pack of wild beasts and when we were slow in getting over the top they leapt at our dangling legs and bit off half a toe and a bit of a heel every now and then. Ours was a miserable plight but we had only another lap to go and we were now running up the home straight on a leg and three-quarters each and the winning bell was ringing and Janet says, no, it's no the ambulance it's the mills and breakfast'll be ready in ten minutes so get up at once for mind the MacPhersons are coming with the 12.10 train.

And so they did. And Mac had "his Master's Voice" beaten to

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a frazzle whining. Some folks should speak into a gramophone or something in order to give themselves a chance of finding out what their speaking voices are really like. If they had to listen long enough to themselves they would surely be cured.

And in the end they said goodbye. It was at the station. But Mac hadn't much chance, for a bright female had already taken up her option on the carriage window. Much that Mac would have said or did say was drowned in the

"Take care of yourself."

"Tell Bella I was asking for her."

"Write whenever you arrive."

"I'll get my jumper finished tomorrow."

"Your dressing-jacket is on the top of your trunk."

"Yes, and the curlers are inside your bedroom slippers."

All that Mac could get in edgewise was "chin chin" and that was how Mac said good-bye.

Yours etc.

R. McW.

SAVATIONIST J.P.
One of the new J.P.'s sworn in at London Sessions recently was Mrs. Florence Bramwell Booth, wife of the Salvation Army General.

TO-DAY'S
MISCELLANY.

Armed with bows and arrows identical in pattern with those used by English troops at Crecy in 1346, two American naturalists have just concluded an interesting bear hunt. Their bows were made of Oregon yew, were 68 inches long, and fired arrows of 28 inches in length. The arrows were of birch and weighed 1½ ounce. These weapons had an extreme range of 300 yards, but the quarry was generally shot at from 20 to 100 yards. The two hunters, Messrs. Arthur Young and Saxon Pope, represented the California Academy of Science.

Although M. Claude Monet—who has just given a number of his pictures to the French nation—is an octogenarian, he is full of vitality and spends most of the day at his easel. In 1904 he had a lake constructed at Giverny, his Normandy estate, and has since devoted most of his energy to painting the varying reflections of the clouds in the water at different times of the day and different seasons of the year. These impressions are on a large scale, the canvases on which M. Monet records them being about seven feet high and from ten to twenty feet broad. Steadfastly resisting many tempting offers from dealers, he has kept every one of these pictures until they now fill all the hanging space in his studio and are stacked two and three deep against the wall. Before starting on this task—into which he says he has put the very best of himself—M. Monet burned a number of paintings that failed to reach his standard of perfection. At the time of the holocaust they were valued at 500,000 francs, and would now be worth at least three times as much.

The tenacity of the Irish hunger-striker has re-started the question how long it is possible to maintain existence without food. In a *Contemporary Review* article published a little more than ten years ago Mr. Upton Sinclair stated that he had met several people who had fasted for forty or fifty days. The longest fast he had heard of was seventy-two days. Mr. Sinclair himself tried the experiment of fasting for twelve days for purely hygienic reasons. He was ravenously hungry during the first day. He had a little hunger the second morning, and thereafter, to his great astonishment, no hunger whatever—no more interest in food than if he had never known the taste of it. Previous to the fast he had had a headache every day for two or three weeks. It lasted through the first day and then disappeared, never to return. The second, third, and fourth days he spent in intense physical lassitude, but with great clearness of mind. After the fifth day he felt stronger, and not only walked a good deal, but read and wrote more than he had dared to attempt for years before.

The copy of "The Light of the World" which has just barely escaped disfigurement is a replica, painted in Holman Hunt's old age, of the original picture, now at Keble College, Oxford. In its earlier form the painting passed through many vicissitudes. The art critics of the day had no good word to say for it, till Ruskin arose; but in the meantime a greater than Ruskin had condemned the picture, in the artist's very studio, where Thomas Carlyle lifted up his voice till it became a scream in denunciation of "a mere Papistical fancy," "an insanity or a delusion to everyone who may look on it." The Broad Church, in the person of Charles Kingsley, followed Carlyle's lead, the High Church thought the artist's conception of the divine figure generally irreverent, and the Low Church detected in "The Light of the World" artistic propaganda for Positivism.

When, through the munificence of its first purchaser's widow, the picture came into possession of Keble College, it was placed so near to some hot-water pipes that the canvas was injured and the actual colours cracked, and Hunt had to spend many hours in "working over," so as to restore the painting to its original condition. The easel in which it was originally kept at Oxford did not please the artist, and he painted the replica, imposing as a condition of purchase that it should always be accessible to the public. The late Charles Booth nobly fulfilled the conditions by sending the picture on a tour of Empire and then giving it into the custody of St. Paul's Cathedral.

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Modes of the Moment.

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The voting sailor appears in another picture, with a costume designed for committee meetings. The young woman in the picture is very well dressed. Her tailored suit is smartly cut. Her low-heeled tan shoes are the perfect complement to her dress. Her gloves, even with informal costume. One walks, talks and dances in gloves, attends the theatre in gloves and almost dines in gloves. As for attending an evening party gloveless, as one used to a season or two ago, it would be the height of bad form now. And women are getting out of the way of drawing off their gloves the moment they are settled in a theatre seat—they are getting used to gloves again.

NEAT AND SIMPLE FROCKS. If the blacked hat and belted jacket are needed a bit to severe, there are attractive frocks and hats that express dignity and business-like purpose without being truly and frivolous. Such a frock is pictured in the model of navy costume with a little stiffened collar and skirt and sleeves. This frock has the new button-down front to be working into the lines of skirt and the skirt is relieved of too severe an effect by rather panels which swing from the hip at either side. If desired, the waist can be buttoned and laid back in revers from a tuxedo of contrasting material. The little hat, with its soft velvet crown and supple silk brim is captivating, yet quite business-like.

THE NEW FRANCHISE COSTUME

One of today's pictures show the new franchise costume—so called, because it is so eminently practical and sensible with a touch of feminine charm to keep it from looking like a copy of man's clothes. The skirt, of plaid wool, is closely pleated, and straps of the plaid material appear on the jacket. There are three pockets on each side. Appropriately enough, the hat that accompanies this costume has a bit of dash and determination expressed in the slant of its quill-trimming. The quill, like the crown, is of duvetyne; the brim of the hat is of velvet—and the colours of the plaid skirt are carried out in the hat.

The sport costume pictured is in very good style for street wear in town when one's mind is on something serious and purposeful and is not merely on pleasure bent. The top-coat of tan velour has a collar of beaver and the coat is rather short and jaunty, revealing the pleated wool skirt beneath. A small shirred velvet hat is correct with the fur-trimmed coat.

There is evidence of a return to collars and neckties—whether or not the Vote has anything to do with this masculine fashion. The pictured shirtwaist, of soft, fine white linen, has a severe collar and cravat tie, but the little pleated frills are graceful and feminine.

Practical Sport Toes are now Correct for City Streets

FASHIONS IN GLOVES.

Black Popular.

Fashion is very much interested in gloves just now. Bare hands may no longer show themselves, even with informal costumes. One walks, talks and dances in gloves, attends the theatre in gloves and almost dines in gloves. As for attending an evening party gloveless, as one used to a season or two ago, it would be the height of bad form now. And women are getting out of the way of drawing off their gloves the moment they are settled in a theatre seat—they are getting used to gloves again.

The bride has taken to gloves again; for a few seasons brides have been lucky. They did not have to include long, expensive white suede gloves as an item in the bridal costume and went to the altar quite bare-handed. But no more long, beautiful gloves of white kid must the bride wear now, whether she likes it or not, if her wedding raiment is to have the sanction of fashion. And as for trousseau gloves, generally they are substantially to the bride-to-be's problem—if she has not a large sum to expend—for gloves cost now what shoes and slippers used to cost, and, of course, footwear has leaped in price proportionately.

A pair or two of white kid dress gloves, a pair of grey mocha gloves for afternoon wear and a pair of heavy tan leather gloves for mornings, used to be sufficient for the average woman, but now it requires at least one dozen pairs in order to follow the fashion. The return of the black glove is a noticeable event in the world of fashion. Suede gloves have, of course, always found a place in the general scheme of dress. The reference is rather to the black kid variety that is usually associated with funerals. But the black kid glove, beloved and respected in the Victorian era, looks like becoming modish once more. Some of the new black gloves, in fact the smartest of them, are decorated with white stitching, and generally have short gauntlets with white thread-work in a complicated design outlining the edge. Sometimes one finds coloured-silk replacing the white, and coloured buttons to tone replace the more ordinary smoked pearl or black fastener. Black and white effects, too, are popular. Alternatively there are long black kid gloves for wear with delicate coloured, short-sleeved afternoon gowns.

Most informal of all are the gauntlet gloves which are really intended for sports wear. One sees them too with motor coats and with raincoats on stormy days. The gauntlet looks very smart and really is most cosy.

JOTTINGS.

GIANT CHECKS.

The latest wide-kilted check skirts are certainly most original. One seen from waist to hem consisted of but four large checks. It was in varying shades of wedgewood blue and buff, and though the size of the check may sound alarming, in reality the effect was delightful.

BEAUTY SPOTS.

The cutest thing in Paris is to wear a black mouche or beauty spot on the nape of your neck and another at the top of your right upper arm. One smart-looking girl had what was just like an enormous round, black beauty spot in her fair hair which looked very effective.

CHARMING DANCE FROCK.



The dress seen above comprises a net petticoat with a four-inch banding footing it, and over it a plain chiffon slip. Together they are attached to a lace bandeau. The lace bandeau is made directly on a bandeau-brassiere, and two wisps of tulle rise from the front of a crush satin belt, with tiny French roses caught here and there, to be drawn over the shoulders and tucked into the belt again at the back. The tunic, is made of lace of exquisite design.

FASHION FEATURES.

If a woman were asked to name the two things that most constantly crop up in the clothes world, she would probably reply, without hesitation, tassels and monkey fur.

The popularity of the tassel is quite easily understood. It really is a most decorative addition to dress, and "comes up," as the initiated would say, in all kinds of beautiful forms, showing really aesthetic colour effects.

But the fondness for monkey fur is not quite so easy to explain. It is sleek and straight, and has none of the cosy fluffiness that is half the charm of fur. It is, in fact, rather freakish in character, and, as the unusual in any form seems to appeal pretty widely, it seems to appeal pretty widely in the dress world may be due to its rather curious appearance. It was used on an evening cloak of yellow panne velvet, the looped sides of which opened to show panels of ivory and gold brocade, strips of which formed a fastening weighted with gold tassels.

Panciful shoes, though not much in evidence during the day, are of great importance in the evening. The childish slipper, with its strap around the ankle, was rather an absurd affair. Though still in favour, it is less patronised than brocade shoes of the kind now worn. The front or vamp of these models is separated by quite a wide gap from the bit that covers the heel, and it takes at least three straps to keep the shoe in position. One wonders why it is that, generally speaking, women show so little discrimination in the choice of their footwear. Only those blessed with small and pretty feet can afford to indulge in shoes expressed in fancy. If only this fact were more generally borne in mind, there would be less criticism of brief skirts and the shortcomings they so frankly reveal.

JOTTINGS.

MONOGRAMS.

Monograms are seen on every article of clothing, and more often than not the background is cut away and the edges of the letters button-holed. Men's and women's silk motor scarves are treated in this way, and how the embroideress manages so difficult a task so successfully is a mystery to the uninitiated.

LINEN AND NET.

Of the making of new ideas in handkerchiefs there seems to be no end. The latest addition to the ranks is the small fine linen square which has an inch wide hem of fine net slightly gathered at each corner. It is obviously quite a simple affair to change an out-of-date hankie into an up-to-date one.

CHARM OF VELVET.

Great use will be made of velvet, chiffon velvet, and panne this winter. The two last named materials are especially adaptable for the most sumptuous of fur-trimmed evening frocks. Some very charming frocks, too, are being fashioned of chiffon velveteen, used either with lace or chiffon or alone. Coats and skirts of velour cloth are as popular as ever, and some very smart and serviceable walking suits in drab tones of condour velveteen have appeared, and are finding much favour with the fair sex. Taffeta is still used for day and evening frocks, but soft satin or peau-de-soie is a much more popular medium for that purpose at present.

FOR SPORTS WEAR.



A buckle and strap fasten the wrist of this heavy kid glove and the gauntlet slips over the sleeve.

JOTTINGS.

A NEW HAT ORNAMENT.

Large fan-shaped calluloid ornaments, either black, when they look like jet, or coloured to suit the hat they adorn, are very much to the front just now. They take the place of the small feather ornaments that so suitably trim a roll-back brim.

ARTIFICIAL FLOWERS USED FOR CORSAGES.

Corsage bouquets of artificial flowers are quite taking the place of natural ones. One of the newest effects shown is calla lilies of black velvet about which twine delicately tinted foliage terminating in rose-hued petals. Two-toned taffetas, satin, velvet, tinsel and supple kid are used for these artificial corsage bouquets.

FOR FORMAL OCCASIONS.



For formal occasions gloves of white kid with dainty trimming touches in black are seen.

ERMINES AND LINGERIE.

There is no end to the extravagant ideas evolved for the benefit of the ultra smart woman where lingerie is concerned. In an extremely exclusive house, and one which might be expected not to encourage such whims, there was seen a set of shell-pink crepe de chine lingerie, each garment of which was trimmed with strips of narrow ermine. On the whole, however, fads which are not of a washable order have been ousted from the lingerie world, and it is to be hoped that no effort is to be made to revive them.

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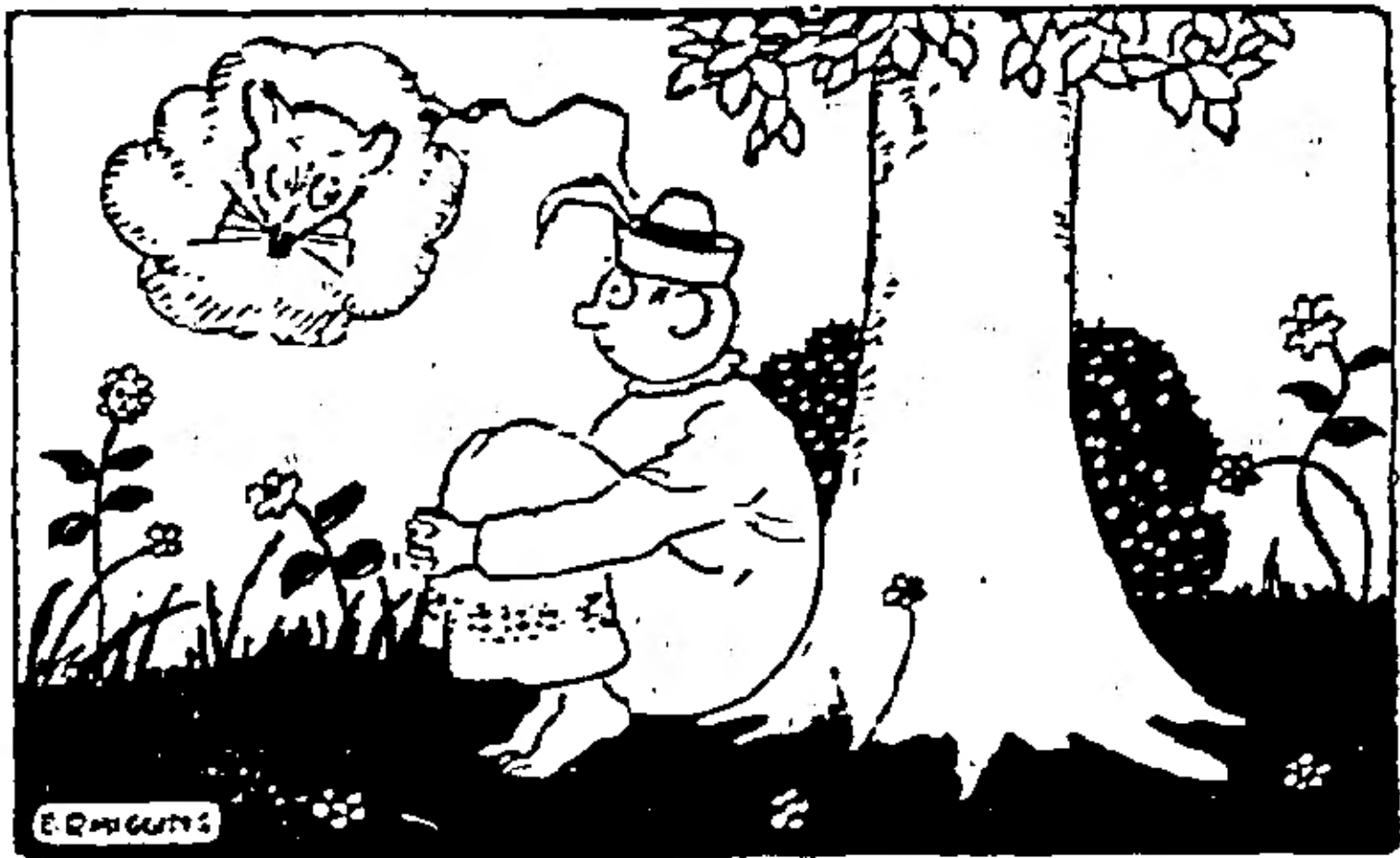
ADVENTURES OF THE TWINS.

A PREDICAMENT.

Tingaling, the fairyman, was not hurt, of course, when he fell from Oliver Oriole's apartment in Maple-Tree Flats. In fact, the bump he got when he landed on the soft moss was rather good for him, for it brought back his memory. It all came back, then, how he had got staying in bed while Oliver was repairing his clothes, and how he had got up in a hurry thinking there was an earthquake. But he realized something else, too—that he still had on his nightgown, or rather Oliver's nightgown which he had borrowed while his suit was getting repaired!

He looked around in alarm lest somebody should see him, for it's a most uncomfortable feeling to be outdoors in such unusual covering.

Besides, Mr. Tingaling was a dignified gentleman-fairy, being the landlord of the Land-Of-Deer-Knows-Where, and he knew that



He thought of Munchie Mouse, the janitor, who lived in the cellar.

if any of the animals or birds or insects saw him, he'd never hear the end of it.

And another besides! There were the twins, Nancy and Nick, in the tree above him, probably worried to death about the way he had suddenly disappeared. What if they should decide that he was lost forever and wish themselves home again, taking the big pocket-book with the rent money with them? How could he ever explain to the Fairy Queen what had become of her rents? How everything? Oh, heavens! There was only one thing to do, and that was to get up the tree again as quickly as possible, without anyone seeing him.

He thought of Munchie Mouse, the janitor, who lived in the cellar and who took care of the place. Perhaps he could trust Munchie enough to tell him his story and get the little mouse to help him upstairs in his dumb-waiter. It was a very good plan.

(To be continued to-morrow.)

WILKIE BARD, WHO TAKES YOU FOR A HUMORIST.

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What is the secret of the comedian? How does he make you laugh?

In the present article the Special Correspondent of the Daily News, who has been commissioned to investigate this problem, analyses Wilkie Bard. I have always wanted to thank Wilkie Bard for persuading me that I am as amused as he is.

That is the kindness that he seems to me to do supremely well for his audience. He seems to say:

"Yes, ladies and gentlemen, this is a funny world, and I agree with you that there's no need for me to try to make it any funnier."

Some of the fellow comedians are not so considerate. They give the impression that they are engaged in a desperate attempt to make a tragedy appear a farce. They seem to say: "You're quite right—it's a bad business. But cheer up! I'll turn another somersault!"

WILKIE BARD.

Wilkie Bard never gives that impression. He is at pains to make it clear that there's not the slightest necessity to turn a somersault. It is a relief to know he feels that. He is as sparing of gesture as another great artist—Phil May—was of line.

SHARING HIS PLATFORM.

And he pays his audience the same compliment—the supreme compliment of assuming that they also are humorists. The moment he enters the stage he takes them into partnership—on level terms. He refrains scrupulously from drawing attention to anything that may happen to be amusing. He leaves you quite free to discover the humour of the character he is suggesting. He never emphasises anything. Instead, he invites you to share the platform with him. Perhaps that is the secret of his success. He flatters you. It is rarely always pleasing to be mistaken for a humorist.

I doubt if it is correct to laugh at Wilkie Bard. You may laugh at Little Tich or George Robey, but the way to enjoy Wilkie Bard is to chuckle.

He chuckles himself. He never laughs. His attitude to things is the chuckling attitude.

Just now he is enjoying the oddities of the elderly English Tommy of war-time on sentry duty. He stands outside his sentry box, and talks to a young subaltern. That is all.

SECRET OF SUCCESS.

He just talks, much as an "ordinary" Tommy would talk, and chuckles occasionally. He makes no attempt to credit the Tommy with the humour of Wilkie Bard. The ordinary Tommy is quite funny enough for him.

When he learns from the subaltern that the war has been over for years, he says quietly: "Then I may as well pack up," and at once begins to get his few things together.

You don't laugh at that. You chuckle—just as Wilkie Bard does.

He insists on making the Tommy a humorist. "I've been here for three years," he says, and I've never seen sent me a postcard to say they weren't coming. "That is the chuckling attitude to things.

Sometimes, it is true, he relies on surprise for his effects. For example:

"How's your mother?"

"Just so so."

"That's better than was was."

But on the whole I should say that the secret of his success lies in his modest, almost apologetic, way of suggesting that it is quite a mistake when everyone is so amusing, that he alone should be on the platform.

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West Japan	F. W. Co.	Dec. 8
Van Wazerwyk	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 8
Somali	P. & O.	Dec. 8
Tokuyo M.	T. K. K.	Dec. 9
Nippon	D. & Co.	Dec. 11
Telemachus	B. & S.	Dec. 12
Hakodate M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 12
Lima M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 13
Kangaroo	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 13
Changsha	B. & S.	Dec. 13
Fushimi M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 14
C. of Lincoln	B. L.	Dec. 15
Suruga	A. L.	Dec. 15
Persia	D. & Co.	Dec. 15
Kamakura M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 15
Devenha	P. & O.	Dec. 17
West Hika	L. A. Co.	Dec. 17
Cactus	S. & D.	Dec. 18
Delight	P. W. Co.	Dec. 20
Alchiba	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 20
Pyrrhus	B. & S.	Dec. 21
Taigo M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 22
Demodocus	B. & S.	Dec. 23
Orestes	B. L.	Dec. 23
W. Carmona	S. & D.	Dec. 25
Eurana	S. & D.	Dec. 25
Crosskeys	A. L.	Dec. 25
Katori M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 26
Tanda	P. & O.	Dec. 29
Montague	A. L.	Dec. 29
Iyo M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 29
Tyndarus	B. & S.	Dec. 30
C. of Agria	B. L.	Dec. 30
Glenluce	J. M. Co.	Dec. 30
Siberia M.	T. K. K.	Dec. 31
St. Albans	P. & O.	Dec. 31
Sicilia	P. & O.	Dec. 31
Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 1
Rhesus	B. & S.	Jan. 1
Bolton	C. M. Co.	Jan. 6
Atsuta M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 7
Glenade	J. M. Co.	Jan. 7
Machao	B. & S.	Jan. 11
Dilwara	P. & O.	Jan. 11
Nanking	C. M. Co.	Jan. 12
Hwah Ping	C. A. Co.	Jan. 13
Laomedon	S. & S.	Jan. 13
Tenyo M.	T. K. K.	Jan. 14
Tydeus	B. & S.	Jan. 13
Kiyo M.	T. K. K.	Jan. 15
Glenara	J. M. Co.	Jan. 18
Tajima M.	N. Y. K.	Jan. 20

Japan, Coast Ports, Etc.

Tjisondari	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 8
Rangoon M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 8
Loksang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 8
Tanda	P. & O.	Dec. 9
Taikowanyai	B. & S.	Dec. 9
Choyang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 9
Sinkiang	B. & S.	Dec. 9
Chihli	B. & S.	Dec. 9
Liangchow	B. & S.	Dec. 9
Yatshing	J. M. Co.	Dec. 10
Chongshing	J. M. Co.	Dec. 10
Hailong	D. L. Co.	Dec. 10
Yotorofu M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 10
Nippon	D. & Co.	Dec. 10
Loongsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 10
Kaifong	B. & S.	Dec. 11
Shidzuoka M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 11
Teau	B. & S.	Dec. 11
Persia	P. M. Co.	Dec. 12
Hukuto M.	D. & Co.	Dec. 13
Hinsang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 14
Haiching	D. L. Co.	Dec. 14
Kanchow	B. & S.	Dec. 14
Shantung	B. & S.	Dec. 14
Taksang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 15
Haihong	D. L. Co.	Dec. 17
Nikko M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 18
Yeboshi M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 18
Tokushima M.	N. Y. K.	Dec. 18
Tiikini	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 19
Banca	P. & O.	Dec. 20
Chaksang	J. M. Co.	Dec. 20
Haiyang	J. C. J. L.	Dec. 28



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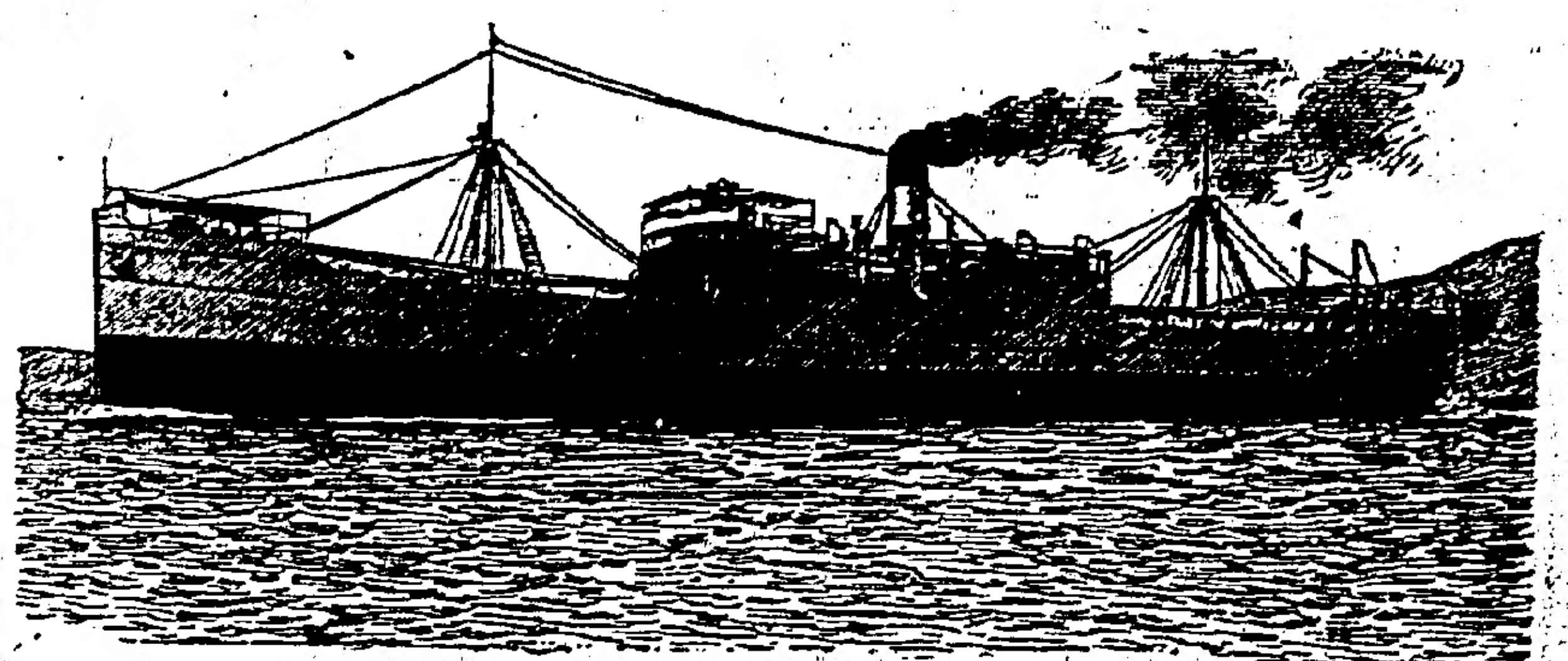
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DEVANHA	3,100	18th Dec.	M'les, London & Antwerp.
SICILIA	3,000	31st Dec.	Spore, Colombo & B'way.
DILWARA	3,400	11th Jan.	Spore, Colombo & B'way.

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TANDA	7,000	29th Dec.	Calcutta via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.
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KOBE	Yatsing	Fri., 10th Dec. at d'light.
N'po, W'wei, C'foo, D'ny	Cheongshing	Fri., 10th Dec. at d'light.
MANILA	Loongsang	Fri., 10th Dec. at 3 p.m.
SANDAKAN	Hinsang	Tues., 14th Dec. at noon.
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SHANGHAI	Sinkiang	9th Dec. at noon.
TJILATAP	Taikoo Wan Yi	9th Dec. at 4 p.m.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	Chimi	10th Dec. at 2 p.m.
H'HOW, PHOI & H'PHONG	Kailong	11th Dec. at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	Tean	11th Dec. at 4 p.m.
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The N.Y.K. s.s. RANGOON M. (Calcutta Line) left Singapore for this port on the 1st Dec. and is expected here on the 8th Dec.

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The N.Y.K. s.s. SHIDZUOKA M. (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 5th Dec. and is expected here on the 10th December.

The N.Y.K. s.s. FUSHIMI M. (American Line) left Kobe for this port direct on the 5th Dec. and is expected here on the 10th December.

The Ben Line s.s. BENRIN-NEB, from Leith, Middlesbrough, Newcastle & London, left Singapore for this port on 4th Dec., and may be expected to arrive here on 10th December.

The R. M. S. EMPRESS OF RUSSIA, arrived at Shanghai, on 4th Dec. at 6.30 p.m. left there 5th Dec. at 4 p.m. and is due at Manila on 8th Dec. at 8 a.m.

The N. V. GLENOGLE, left Shanghai on the 7th December at 11 a.m. and is due at Hongkong on 40th December about 10 a.m.

The s.s. NIPPON, (Lloyd Triestino) left Singapore on the 4th inst., and is due to arrive here on the evening of the 10th December. She is bringing with her English Mail.

The s.s. PERSIA, (Lloyd Triestino) will leave Shanghai for this port on the 10th inst., and is due to arrive here on Tuesday 14th December.

The s.s. SAMARANG MARU, (Nanyo Yusen Kaisha) has been substituted for s.s. BORNEO M., and is due to sail from Kobe on the 14th inst., arriving here about the 23rd.

The N.Y.K. s.s. KAMO M. (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 8th Dec. and is expected here on the 9th Dec.

The N.Y.K. s.s. NIKKO M. (Australian Line) left Thursday Island for this port via Manila, on the 5th Dec., and is expected here on the 17th December.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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The following Unclaimed Telegrams are lying here—

Tyufong, from Hankow, Chandler, Steamer Nanking, from Tientsin.

Tait, from Shanghai.

Rodwell, Hongkong Hotel from New York.

Ralph Dort, Hongkong Hotel, from Shanghai.

Cheongwailam c/o Cheongkee, West Desvoeux Road, from Amoy.

Lifung, from Shanghai.

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N. LUND.

Act. Superintendent
Hongkong, Dec. 2, 1920.

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POST OFFICE.

Telegraphic communication with Wagon Lighthouse is interrupted.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 3 p.m. on the previous day.

INWARD MAILS.

Shanghai and Japan—Per KAMO M., 9th Dec.
Straits—Per SHIDZUOKA M., 10th Dec.
Japan—Per FUSHIMI M., 10th Dec.
Europe (via Negapatam)—Per NIPPON, 11th Dec.

OUTWARD MAILS.

To-morrow.

Haihow—Per LIANGCHOW, 9 a.m.
Swatow—Per HYDRANGEA, 4 p.m.
Japan—Per YAT SHING, 5 p.m.
Port Bayard—Per SHUNSHING, 9 a.m.
Straits and Bangkok—Per RAJAH OF SARAVAK, noon.
Swatow & Amoy—Per YUET WAH, 11 a.m.
Straits & Bangkok—Per CHEFOO, 1 p.m.
Shanghai & North China—Per SINKIANG, 11 a.m.
Ningpo, Weihaiwei, Chefoo and Tientsin—Per CHEONG SHING, 5 p.m.
Japan (Seattle and Vancouver)—Per WEST JAPPA, 2 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, India via Dhanushkodi, Durban & Cape Town—Per TACOMA M., 9 a.m.
Japan, Honolulu, Canada, United States, C. & South America—Per TOKUYO M., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 p.m.

Friday, 10th Dec.

Philippine Is.—Per CHIHLLI, 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per LOONG SANG, 2 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAILONG, 11 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China and Japan—Per SHIDZUOKA M., 10 a.m.
Philippine Islands, Sandakan, Australia, and New Zealand, via Thursday Islands—Per CHANGSHA, Reg. 14.5 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai, North China Japan via Canada, United States, Central & South America and Europe via Victoria—Per ALABAM M., Reg. 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—Per KAMO M., Reg. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

Saturday, 11th Dec.

Shanghai & N. China—Per TEAN, 3 p.m.
Shanghai, N. China & Japan—Per SHIDZUOKA M., 10 a.m.

Sunday, 12th Dec.

Haihow, Pakhoi & Haiphong—Per KAIFONG, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Keelung—Per KAIJO M., 9 a.m.

Monday, 13th Dec.

Weihaiwei, Chefoo & Tientsin—Per KUEICHOW, 3 p.m.

Tuesday, 14th Dec.

Amoy, Shanghai & N. China—Per SHANTUNG, 11 a.m.
Swatow & Bangkok—Per KANCHOW, 9 a.m.
Sandakan—Per HINSANG, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow—Per HAICHING, 11 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan, Canada United States, S. America & Europe via Seattle—Per FUSHIMI M., Reg. 8.15 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday, 15th Dec.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Bombay and Aden—Per DUNERA, 11 a.m.

Thursday, 16th Dec.

Shanghai & North China—Per SUNNING, 10 a.m.

SHIPPING.

VESSELS ARRIVED.

From Saigon there came this morning the s.s. LINAN with 2,300 tons of rice and rice meal.—Mooring C 38.

The KANCHOW brought this morning 2,150 tons of general merchandise from Bangkok.—Mooring C 17.

The GLENFALLOCH from Penang brought this morning 330 tons for Hongkong. She carried 335 deck passengers.—Mooring B 12.

The s.s. TANDA arrived yesterday from Calcutta with 2,361 tons of general merchandise for the Colony and 2,364 tons for the North. She carried 15 first-class, 60 second and 152 deck passengers.—Mooring Kowloon Wharf.

The HINSANG arrived this morning from Sandakan with 4,300 tons.—Mooring Kowloon Wharf.

The YAT SHING from Calcutta consigned here this morning 1,337 tons of cargo. She had 34 bags of mails on board.—Mooring Kowloon Wharf.

The TACOMA M. came in yesterday afternoon with 216 tons of rice, dried fish, etc. for Hongkong from Kobe and Nagasaki.

The Norwegian vessel SKULD consigned here yesterday afternoon 1,552 tons of sugar.—Mooring C 42.

The s.s. YODO M. delivered here this morning 1,700 tons of salt.—Mooring B 10.

CLEARANCES AND DEPARTURES.

The GLENFALLOCH left at daybreak to-day for Swatow with through cargo.

The s.s. TJJONDARI left at 3.20 p.m. to-day for Batavia with 3,000 tons.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per s.s. SOMALI.—Mr. Hill, Mr. Newman, Mr. Johnson, Mr. & Mrs. Petty, Mr. & Mrs. Needham, Mr. P. J. Matland, Mr. S. Zeeman, Miss Needham, Miss T. B. Cate, Mr. & Mrs. Graft, Mr. & Mrs. Webster, Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Babcock, Misses Babcock, Mr. J. Lavis, Mr. K. M. Macray, Inspector Lannigan, Mrs. Lannigan, Master Lannigan, Miss Lannigan, Mr. & Mrs. Turnbull, Mrs. Parsons, Mr. Parsons.

Friday, 17th Dec.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per HAIHONG, 11 a.m.
Shanghai, N. China, Japan via Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central & South America & Europe via San Francisco—Per KOREA M., Reg. 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.

Saturday, 18th Dec.

Japan—Per NIKKO MARU, 10 a.m.

Sunday, 19th Dec.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—Per DEVANHA, Reg. 5 p.m. Letters 8.30 a.m.

Wednesday, 22nd Dec.

Philippine Islands, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—Per TANGO M., Reg. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

Friday, 24th Dec.

Shanghai, North China & Japan—Per KAOA M., 10 a.m.

Tuesday, 28th Dec.

Manila, S.anghai & N. China, Japan, Canada, United States, Central & South America & Europe via Seattle—Per KATORI M., Reg. 8.45 Letters 9.30 a.m.

Wednesday, 29th Dec.

Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marques, S. Africa, India via Dhanushkodi, Egypt & Europe via Marseilles—Per IYO M., Reg. 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessels' name only.

EXCHANGE.

(Opening Rate: closing Rate on Page 11).

SELLING.

1/T	3/2
Demand	3/2 3/16
30 d/s	3/2 3/16
60 d/s	3/2 3/16
4 m/s	3/2 9/16
1/T Shanghai	Nom.
1/T Singapore	147
1/T Japan	111
1/T India	Nom.
Demand, India	Nom.
1/T San Francisco	54 3/4
1/T New York	54 3/4
1/T Java	177
1/T Marks	Nom.
1/T France	9.20
Demand, Paris	—

BUYING.

4 m/s L/C	3/4
4 m/s D/P	3/4 3/8
6 m/s L/C	3/4 3/8
30 d/s Sydney and Melbourne	3/5 1/8
30 d/s San Francisco & New York	56 1/2
4 m/s Marks	Nom.
4 m/s France	9.80
6 m/s France	10.00
Demand, Germany	—
Demand, New York	57 1/8
1/T Bombay	Nom.
Demand, Bombay	—
1/T Calcutta	Nom.
Demand, Calcutta	—
On Yokohama	111
Demand, Manila	124 1/2 Nom.
Demand, Singapore	137
On Saigon	Nom.
On Bangkok	65 1/4
Sovereign	6.15 Nom.
Gold leaf per Tael	49.40
Bar Silver, ready	43 1/4
forward	43 1/2
Bank of England rates	7 1/2
New York/London	3.43 1/4

SUBSIDIARY COINS.

H'kong 50 cts. piece	1/5 dis.
10 "	1/5 dis.
5 "	4/5 dis.
Canton subcoins	16.3 dis.

Hongkong Dec. 8, 1920.

WEATHER REPORT.

December 7d. 22h. 40m.—Warning to East Coast Ports.—N. N. E. gale in Formosa Channel.

Dec. 8d. 12h. 40m.—No returns from Japan, Vladivostok, Indo-China or Borneo.

Pressure has increased moderately along the east coast of China, and slightly over the Philippines, Formosa and Hongkong.

Strong monsoon may be expected along the east coast of China and fresh monsoon over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day.

0.0 inch. Total since January 1st, 105.63 inches, against an average of 82.3 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District.	Forecast.
1 Hongkong to Gap Rock	N. & N.E. winds, to fresh; fair.
2 Formosa Channel	Northerly gale.
3 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamooka.	N.E. winds, strong.
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan.	N.E. winds, fresh.

T. F. CLAXTON, Director.

H.K. Observatory, Dec. 8.

METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day	on date.	on date.
at 7 p.m. at 1 a.m. at 3 p.m.		
Barometer	29.95	30.12 30.05
Temperature	86	54 65
Humidity	59	83 65
Wind Direction	N.	N. E.
Wind Force	2	2 1
Weather	0.0	0.0 0
Rain	0.03	0.00 0.00
Highest open air Temperature on the	7th	67
Lowest open air Temperature on the	8th	55
H.K. Observatory, Dec. 8, 1920.		
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6th to 12th Dec. 1920.

Day	High Water	Low Water
Mon. 6	6.34 a.m.	6.54 p.m.
Tue. 7	6.38 a.m.	6.58 p.m.
Wed. 8	6.42 a.m.	7.02 p.m.
Thu. 9	6.46 a.m.	7.06 p.m.
Fri. 10	6.50 a.m.	7.10 p.m.
Sat. 11	6.54 a.m.	7.14 p.m.
Sun. 12	6.58 a.m.	7.18 p.m.

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OFFICIAL PRICES.

Banks

H.K. & S. Bank	b. & sa.	766
East Asia	b.	120 s. 125
Marine Insurance		
Cantons	b.	372 1/4
North China	n.	153
Union	b.	210 sa. 212 3/4
Yangtze	n.	23
Far Eastern	n.	20

Fire Insurance.

China Fire	b.	125
H. K. Fire	n.	318

Shipping.

Douglas	b.	61
H.K. Steamboats	b.	24
Indos (Prof.)	b.	22
Indos (Def.) L. R.	see below	
Shells	s.	125 1/2
Ferries	b.	24 1/4

Refineries.

Sugars	b.	206
Malabona	n.	55

Mining.

Kailans	n.	100
Langkat	n.	1
Shanghai Loans	b	13 1/4
Shai Explorations		
Bau	n.	1
Tronohs	n.	25
Ural Caspians	n.	25

Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.

H.K. Wharves	s.	90 1/2
K. Docks	s.	162 sa. 161
Shai Docks	n.	118 1/2
N. Engineering	n.	25
Lands, Hotels & Buildings.		
Centrals	b.	119
H.K. Hotels	n.	150
H.K. Lands	n.	127
H'phreys Est.	b.	8 1/4 sa. 8.35
K'loon Lands	b.	42
L. Reclamations	n.	140
West Point	b.	54

Cotton Mills.

Ewas	n.	452 1/2
Kung Yik	n.	44
Lau Kung Mow	n.	—
Oriental	n.	177 1/2
Shai Cotton	n.	100
Yangtze Pools	n.	26

Miscellaneous

Cement	b.	930 s. 9 1/2
Do. Light old	b.	7 1/2
China Light new	b.	5.30
China Providents	n.	7.90
Dairy Farms	s.	23
Electricity H. K.	b.	18 1/2
Electricity Macao	n.	30
Hongkong Ropes	n.	23 1/4
Hk. Tramways	n.	7.55
Peak Tram, old	b.	7 1/2
Do. new	b.	70 cts.
Steam Laundries	b.	4 1/2
Steel Foundries	n.	10
Water-boats	n.	16 1/4
Watsons	b.	7.65
Wm. Fowells	b.	17 1/2
Wisemans	b.	31
Indo Def. Lon/Reg.	n.	210
Indo Def/H.K. Reg.	n.	194

Hongkong, Dec. 8, 1920.